

Annual Reports of the
TOWN of BELCHERTOWN

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1946



Please Bring This Report to Town Meeting

Town Officers, 1946

MODERATOR

Lewis H. Blackmer

TOWN CLERK

George A. Poole Term expires Feb. 1947

TOWN TREASURER

William E. Shaw Term expires Feb. 1947

TAX COLLECTOR

William E. Shaw Term expires Feb. 1949

SELECTMEN, BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND BOARD OF HEALTH

Charles F. Austin Term expires Feb. 1947

Francis M. Austin Term expires Feb. 1947

Marjorie G. Tilton Term expires Feb. 1947

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Arthur E. Westwell Term expires Feb. 1947

George A. Poole Term expires Feb. 1948

Fanny G. Morey Term expires Feb. 1949

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Charles F. Austin Term expires Feb. 1947

Fred F. Dewey Term expires Feb. 1948

Charles G. Trainor Term expires Feb. 1949

ASSESSORS

Frederick E. Lincoln Term expires Feb. 1947

Edward T. Parsons Term expires Feb. 1948

Guy C. Allen Term expires Feb. 1949

TREE WARDEN

Harold P. Cook Term expires Feb. 1947

CONSTABLES

Frank L. Gold Term expires Feb. 1947

D. Donald Hazen Term expires Feb. 1947

Albert G. Markham (Resigned Aug. 16, 1946)

Term expires Feb. 1947

Louis A. Shumway Term expires Feb. 1947

William H. Snow (moved out of town) Term expires Feb. 1947

APPOINTED OFFICERS

ALMONERS OF WHITING STREET FUND AND THE MRS. SUSAN M. D. BRIDGMAN FUND

Amy C. Witt Louise Sherman

TRUSTEES OF CALVIN BRIDGMAN FUND

Lewis H. Blackmer Term expires Feb. 1947

George A. Poole Term expires Feb. 1948

D. Donald Hazen Term expires Feb. 1949

TRUSTEE FOR HAMP. CO. AID TO AGRICULTURE Peter Hanifin

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Ella A. Stebbins Term expires Nov. 1947

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Roy G. Shaw Term expires Feb. 1947

Thomas A. Austin Term expires Feb. 1948

Raymond T. Beaudoin Term expires Feb. 1949

George A. Poole (ex officio)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

William N. Webster Term expires Feb. 1947

George E. Booth Term expires Feb. 1947

Guy C. Allen, Jr. Term expires Feb. 1948

Isaac Hodgen Term expires Feb. 1949

Romeo J. Joyal Term expires Feb. 1949

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Henry H. Witt

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN

Milton C. Baggs

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Harlan Davis

CHIEF OF POLICE

Albert G. Markham (Resigned Aug. 16, 1946)

SPECIAL POLICE

John J. Cronin

Thomas P. Feeney

Emma D. Loftus

SPECIAL POLICE

(Limited to service on State School grounds)

Paul T. Austin

John Moran

Frank E. Farrington

Leon A. Geoffrey

George B. Wyman

DOG OFFICER

Harlan B. Davis

SPECIAL POLICE

Appointed to take the Street List, according to Chapter 440 of the Acts of 1938:

Gladys Ayers

Emma Loftus

Minnie Flaherty

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Charles Egleston

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Raymond C. Gay

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND LUMBER

Edwin F. Shumway

Raymond C. Gay

Theron V. Pratt

FENCE VIEWERS

Edwin F. Shumway

Raymond C. Gay

Clarence Robinson

Edwin F. Shumway William Snow Clarence Robinson

Patrick Brown H. Morgan Ryther Harry L. Ryther
 Helena Brown

John J. Cronin	Harvey A. Samson
John Davis	Patrick J. Nagle
Forrest A. Nichols	Theodore M. Picard
Eugene F. Connelly	Paul T. Austin
John T. Flaherty	Alton Strickland

Kenneth F. Bristol	Joseph J. Kempkes
Roy G. Shaw	Louis E. Fuller
Guy C. Allen, Jr.	Carl Peterson

John Wood

Report of Selectmen

The board met on February 8, 1946 and organized. This year, it was voted that the three boards have separate chairmen: Charles F. Austin was elected chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Dr. F. M. Austin, chairman of the Board of Health and M. G. Tilton, chairman of the Board of Public Welfare. It was thought this method might divide the work a little more fairly, and the change worked out very well.

Meetings were held every Friday from 8 to 10 p. m. as usual.

It was necessary to call three special town meetings during the year. At one of these, a petition to purchase a site for a public beach, which had been previously submitted, was favorably acted upon and the purchase subsequently made.

The Selectmen were empowered to purchase a new truck at one of the special town meetings, but after many contacts were made, much difficulty was encountered in finding one at the price we were allowed to pay, and delivery dates were very indefinite and uncertain. It was unanimously decided by the board to sign no contract for the purchase of a truck, or to make no down payment, unless a definite date of delivery could be given. No company was willing to do this.

Mr. Charles Austin attended several hearings in Boston regarding town affairs. Mrs. Tilton attended two Welfare Conferences in Boston during the year, and several meetings of the Western Massachusetts Association, also the annual Selectmen's dinner in Worcester.

The Selectmen would like to publicly thank the committee for the Fourth of July Celebration for our veterans. It was a grand affair, and will be long remembered by our townspeople.

Outdoor movies at the playground were held from May until October. These were sponsored by local merchants, were free to everyone and were well attended.

It has been a source of satisfaction to the Selectmen to have the town clock in operation this year. We have been fortunate to find a man who seems to "have a way with it" and keeps it going.

Mr. Henry Witt deserves much praise for the manner in which the roads work has been done. He has accomplished a great amount of work very efficiently and with great economy.

No Selectmen's report would be complete without our compliments to Mr. Milton C. Baggs and the Fire Department for the valuable service they always render to our town.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

MARJORIE G. TILTON

Selectmen of Belchertown

Report of the Board of Health

The health records of the town for the year 1946 show the following cases reported: 60 of these cases were reported from the State School.

Chicken Pox	11
Measles	24
Scarlet Fever	3
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	2
Dog Bite	5
Pneumonia (Lobar)	6
Mumps	12
German Measles	26
Malaria	1
Whooping Cough	9

This Board is fully conscious of the necessity of completing the work on the sewerage system of the town. Owing to the soil condition in wet seasons, effluence from private septic tanks comes to the surface and creates a health menace. To remedy this, we see no other means than the completion of the present system.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
MARJORIE G. TILTON

Board of Health

Report of Board of Public Welfare

The year of 1946 closed with very few changes, as you will note in the following report:

General Relief:

In January 1946, we began with five cases, and at the close of December of the same year we have five cases on General Relief. During the year, there were hospital bills and temporary relief given to needy persons.

Aid to Dependent Children:

In January, we started the year of 1946 with a case load of four families and twelve children. During the year, one case was closed and one was added. We closed the year with a case load of four families and 20 children.

Old Age Assistance:

We are carrying 83 cases on our records at the close of 1946. We started the year with 90 cases. There were twelve deaths, two cases closed, four transferrals and eleven new cases during the year. Of the 83 cases, 15 are fully reimbursed by the State, Federal Government and the Townships.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
MARJORIE G. TILTON

Board of Public Welfare

Report of Assessors

The money to pay the cost of operating the town is derived from:

1. Taxation of real estate, personal estate and polls.
2. Grants, gifts and reimbursements from the Commonwealth and Federal Governments, and from other cities and towns.
3. Receipts of departments, available funds.
4. Licenses, permits and fines.
5. Miscellaneous other sources.

The amount to be raised by taxation was determined in this way:

The amount to be raised in the fiscal year was \$160,846.68

Other expenses for the year were:

State Tax	1,400.00
State Parks and Reservations	109.20
State Audit	4.26
County Tax	6,421.13
Overlay for 1946	2,902.00

\$171,683.27

The expected revenue from the Commonwealth

and all other sources was estimated as 59,370.00

Taken from available funds 46,009.67

\$105,379.67

Deducting the expected revenue from the total expected expenditures gave the sum

to be raised by taxation as	66,303.60
The poll tax—834 at \$2 each—yielded	1,668.00

In order to collect the balance of \$64,635.60, called the "Tax Levy," from the property owners, in proportion to their respective holdings, each piece of taxable property was assigned a value for assessment purposes. These assessments were as follows:

Personal Estate	\$277,330.00
Real Estate, buildings	869,025.00
Real Estate, land	469,535.00

Giving a total valuation of	\$1,615,890.00
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This total assessed value divided
into the Tax Levy, gave a tax rate of \$40.00
which gave a tax on personal property
of 11,093.20
and on real estate of 53,542.40

FREDERICK E. LINCOLN
GUY C. ALLEN
EDWARD T. PARSONS

Report of Collector

Real Estate Taxes of 1946

Warrants of Assessors		\$53,588.40
Payments to Treasurer	\$45,103.74	
Abatements	20.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1946	8,464.66	
		\$53,588.40

Real Estate Taxes of 1945

Balance outstanding January 1, 1946		8,156.65
Payments to Treasurer	7,283.04	
Abatements	181.56	
Outstanding December 31, 1946	692.05	
		8,156.65

Real Estate Taxes of 1944

Balance outstanding January 1, 1946		333.28
Payments to Treasurer	165.58	
Outstanding December 31, 1946	167.70	
		333.28

Personal Taxes of 1946

Warrants of Assessors		11,093.20
Payments to Treasurer	9,302.32	
Abatements	12.30	
Outstanding December 31, 1946	1,778.58	
		11,093.20

Personal Taxes of 1945

Outstanding January 1, 1946		1,430.19
Adjustment		42.90
		1,473.09

Payments to Treasurer	899.18
Abatements	92.05
Outstanding December 31, 1946	481.86

1,473.09

Poll Taxes of 1946

Warrants of Assessors	1,670.00
Refunds	28.00

1,698.00

Payments to Treasurer	1,280.00
Refund returned	2.00
Abatements	406.00
Outstanding December 31, 1946	10.00

1,698.00

Motor Vehicle Excise 1946

Warrants of Assessors	3,392.32
Refunds	15.02
Overpayment by Collector	.60

3,407.94

Payment to Treasurer	3,238.92
Abatements	32.60
Adjustment	.04
Outstanding December 31, 1946	136.38

3,407.94

Motor Vehicle Excise 1945

Outstanding January 1, 1946	8.00
Warrants of Assessors	34.00

42.00

Payments to Treasurer	42.00
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WILLIAM E. SHAW,
Collector of Taxes

Report of Treasurer

Dr.

Cash in Treasury January 1, 1946	\$58,654.96
Receipts January 1 to December 31, 1946	215,733.58
	\$274,388.54

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Warrants of Selectmen and Town Accountant	238,442.89
Cash in Treasury December 31, 1946	35,945.65
	\$274,388.54

Invested Fund

United States Treasury Notes	20,000.00
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Post War Rehabilitation Fund

Savings Bank Deposit	176.75
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Trust Funds

Whiting Street Fund	8,084.43
Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	3,500.00
George D. Longley School Music Fund	2,399.30
Calvin Bridgman High School Fund	6,391.98
Calvin Bridgman Library Fund	4,043.68
Willard A. Stebbins Cemetery Fence Fund	4,593.48
Susan M. D. Bridgman Cemetery Fund	382.79
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	22,498.24

WILLIAM E. SHAW, *Town Treasurer*

Report of Town Accountant

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1946

GENERAL ACCOUNTS ASSETS

Cash

Accounts Receivable:

Taxes:

Levy of 1944, Real Estate
Levy of 1945, Real Estate
Levy of 1945, Personal Property
Levy of 1946, Real Estate
Levy of 1946, Personal Property
Levy of 1946, Polls

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:

Levy of 1946
Tax Titles
Tax Possessions

State Aid to Highways
County Aid to Highways

Dog Officer Fees:

Due from County

GENERAL ACCOUNTS LIABILITIES

\$35,945.65 Withholding Tax

Sale of Real Estate Fund

Road Machinery Earnings Reserve
Tailings

Federal Grants:

Old Age Assistance—Administrative
George Deen Fund
Trust Fund Income:

10.00 11,594.85 Cemetery Perpetual Care

Susan Bridgman Poor Fund

Recording Fee

136.38 Unexpended Appropriation Balances:

4,071.30 Remodelling Town Hall

155.58 4,226.88 Road Machinery Expense Account

Power Lawn Mower

7,623.80 Bardwell Gravel Bank

4,000.00 11,623.80 Typewriter for Collector and Assessors

Purchase of Truck

Painting Numerals of Town Clock

48.00 Sewerage System

\$1,048.87
13.68
2,810.24
76.62

31.01
10.51

40.38
380.86

421.24
3.00

1,781.74
496.11

414.00

150.00

131.45

650.00

75.00

1,836.04

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Summary of Appropriations, Expenditures, Transfers, Etc.

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expendi- tures	Unex- pended
Selectmen	\$800.00	\$4.89§	\$804.89	
Town Accountant	425.00		405.30	19.70
Treasurer	690.00	33.60§	723.60	
Tax Collector	800.00		734.99	65.01
Assessors	800.00		799.98	.02
Town Clerk	450.00		447.95	2.05
Certification of Notes	20.00			20.00
Law	100.00		44.10	55.90
Election and Registration	779.17	6.00†	778.17	7.00
Remodeling Town Hall	3,000.00	27.52*	1,245.78	1,781.74
Town Hall	250.00		141.20	108.80
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00		133.79	166.21
American Legion Hdq.	400.00		387.40	12.60
Police	531.63	166.58§	698.21	
Fire Department	1,300.00		980.61	319.39
Forest Fires	1,100.00		410.78	689.22
Hydrant Service	1,500.00		1,500.00	
Moth Suppression	600.00		599.91	.09
Tree Warden	200.00		114.87	85.13
Sealer Weights & Measures	75.00	4.24§	79.24	
Health	800.00		725.83	74.17
Highways, Chapter 81	4,120.00	23,175.00‡	27,294.93	.07
Highways, Chapter 90	500.00	1,000.00‡		
		.07§	1,500.07	
Three Rivers Road	3,500.00	10,500.00‡	13,992.50	7.50
Highways, Snow Removal	5,000.00	383.10§	4,921.90	461.20
Highways, Streets	122.60	15.00§	118.95	18.65
Highways, Bridges	600.00		586.67	13.33
Road Machinery	4,500.00	26.57†		
		388.71*	4,419.17	496.11

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expenditures	Unexpended
Street Lights	2,000.00		1,959.96	40.04
Public Welfare	4,000.00		3,149.92	850.08
Veterans' Aid	1,000.00		606.78	393.22
Old Age Assistance	36,000.00	83.82†	34,476.62	1,607.20
Aid to Dependent Children	3,100.00		2,873.33	226.67
Schools	59,683.00		59,683.00	
Vocational Education	1,500.00		1,460.92	39.08
Caretaker Recreation Field	325.00	21.41§	346.41	
Cemeteries	600.00		600.00	
Soldiers' Graves	75.00		75.00	
Interest	25.00		14.28	10.72
Insurance	1,707.01	176.48§	1,854.40	29.09
Honor Roll	25.00	2.52†	5.04	22.48
Unclassified	500.00	13.83§	513.83	
July Fourth Celebration	1,000.00	85.85§	1,085.85	
Memorial Day	100.00		24.44	75.56
Armistice Day	50.00		36.75	13.25
Town Clock	75.00		75.00	
Public Dump	50.00		50.00	
Unpaid Bills of 1945	377.45		377.45	
Care of Common	100.00		99.54	.46
Power Lawn Mower	414.00			414.00
Plans, Gr. School Addition		500.00*	500.00	
Bardwell Gravel Bank		150.00*		150.00
Typewriter for Coll. & Assessors		102.05*		
		29.40§		131.45
Photostats of Vet. Discharges	500.00		418.50	81.50
Purchase of Garage	3,600.00		3,600.00	
Purchase of Truck	650.00			650.00
Purchase of Park	1,250.00		1,250.00	
Sewerage System		2,080.89*	244.85	1,836.04
Reserve Fund	1,000.00		934.45	65.55

*Balance carried over from 1945. †Refunds. ‡State and County Allotments. §From Reserve Fund.

RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS

To Selectmen's Expense Account	\$4.89	
Treasurer's Expense Account	33.60	
Police	166.58	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	4.24	
Highways—Snow Removal	383.10	
Highways—Streets	15.00	
Highways—Chapter 90, Maintenance	.07	
Caretaker Recreation Field	21.41	
Insurance	176.48	
Unclassified	13.83	
July Fourth Celebration	85.85	
Typewriter for Collector and Assessors	29.40	934.45

Belchertown, Mass., January 14, 1947

I certify that as Town Accountant I have examined the cash accounts and trust fund accounts of Town Treasurer William E. Shaw and have found balances sufficient to cover said accounts in cash and in bank deposits.

ELLA A. STEBBINS, *Town Accountant*

Belchertown, Mass., January 14, 1947

Hampshire, ss.

Then personally appeared before me, Ella A. Stebbins, Town Accountant, and made oath that the above certificate is correct.

William E. Shaw, Justice of the Peace

Report of Town Clerk

Marriage intentions recorded	35
Marriages recorded	49
Births recorded: 19 males, 23 females	42
Deaths recorded: 32 males, 20 females	52
Sporting licenses issued	396
Gross receipts for same	\$860.00
Dog licenses issued: 272 males, 73 spayed, 53 females, 2 kennel	400
Gross receipts for same	\$1,003.00
Mortgages, bills of sale, etc., recorded	48

(See appendix for details)

Report of Fire Chief and Forest Warden

*To the Selectmen of Belchertown
Gentlemen:*

During the year ending Dec. 31, 1946, the Fire Department responded to 84 calls:

- 21 calls for the Emergency Truck
- 18 Building fires
- 3 Auto fires
- 40 Forest fires
- 1 Fatality
- 1 Search for Missing Persons

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON C. BAGGS,

Fire Chief and Forest Warden

Report of Dog Officer

Selectmen of Belchertown

Gentlemen:

I collected taxes on 47 dogs, receiving \$60.00 on males, \$12.00 on spayed females, and \$55.00 on females. Handed George Poole, Town Clerk, \$127.00. I picked up 22 stray dogs, found owners for 10 and destroyed 12.

HARLAN B. DAVIS

Dog Officer

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Tested and Sealed January 1, 1946-December 31, 1946

Platform scales, 10,000 lbs. and over	2
Platform scales, 100 to 5,000 lbs.	9
Counter scales under 100 lbs.	1
Beam scales under 100 lbs.	5
Spring scales under 100 lbs.	5
Computing scales	2
Prescription scales	1
Avoirdupois weights	3
Gasoline pumps	22

I have collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer fees amounting to \$20.99.

RAYMOND C. GAY

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Report of Old Town Hall Building Committee

Now that the window screens have been installed, the Old Town Hall Building project is completed, according to the plans approved by the town, with the exception of a new hard wood floor. The committee recommends that the remaining funds be set aside to purchase the flooring and install it when the building material is available at a reasonable price.

The Old Town Hall Building Committee recommends that a committee of three, consisting of one member from the Board or Selectmen, one member from the School Committee, and a third member to be chosen by these two, act as a committee to have charge of the care and maintenance of the Old Town Hall, and that they appoint a custodian who will be in the hall at all times when it is in use. We further recommend that this committee be authorized to expend such money as the town may raise and appropriate for the care, maintenance, and custodianship of the hall.

Respectfully submitted,

GUY E. HARRINGTON
ALBERT G. MARKHAM
JOSEPH J. KEMPKE, SR.
CHARLES H. SANFORD
ANDREW J. SEARS
WALTER P. PIPER
THOMAS B. LANDERS

Report of Cemetery Commissioners

The Cemetery Commissioners wish to submit the following report of expenditures:

Dwight	\$40.00
Evergreen	22.00
Hillcrest	80.00
Lake Vale	44.00
Liberty	22.00
Rural	44.00
South Center	90.00
Mt. Hope	298.55
Materials, etc.	34.45

The Cemetery Commissioners record the passing on June 28, 1946 of Charles G. Trainor, who served faithfully as commissioner for many years. We all miss his cooperation.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRED F. DEWEY

Commissioners

Annual Report

OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION

School Committee

DR. ARTHUR E. WESTWELL

GEORGE A. POOLE

MRS. FANNY G. MOREY

Term Expires

1947

1948

1949

Chairman

DR. ARTHUR E. WESTWELL

Telephone 2311

Secretary

*M. LEROY GREENFIELD

Meetings of School Committee

At 7.30 P. M. on the second Wednesday of the Month
at Superintendent's office

Superintendent's Office Hours

In Memorial Hall, Monday, 3.30 to 4.30 P. M.

School Nurse

MRS. HOWARD DAVIS, R. N.

School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD, M. D.

Attendance Officer

MRS. EMMA D. LOFTUS

Teachers' Meetings

At Call of Superintendent

No School Signal

5 long blasts at 7.30 A. M.

*Residence

117 Church Street, Ware
Telephone Ware 367

Ware Office

High Street
Telephone 69

Report of School Committee

To the Citizens of Belchertown:

The year 1946 presented a full quota of problems, none of which were more pressing than those allied with the much publicized nation-wide teacher shortage. It would be wrong to assume that our local schools have not felt the impact of this serious calamity. Only through the untiring efforts of Superintendent Greenfield and Elementary Supervisor Peterson have anticipated and unexpected vacancies in teaching staffs been filled, and break-downs of the system averted. Their efforts deserve, and will receive, highest commendation from those citizens (and there are many), whose interest in the welfare of the schools is genuine.

Unfortunately, the termination of this shortage is not in sight, though a belated effort toward that end is evidenced by unmistakable signs of both federal and increased state aid in the near future. The term, increased state aid, is used advisedly with reference to Belchertown, since there are few towns which fare as well with regard to state reimbursements.

The teacher shortage is accounted for erroneously by some, as a direct result of the war. To be sure, the war was a contributing factor, but the basic cause was a general failure to supply teachers with salaries sufficient to maintain a decent standard of living. While some entered the armed services, others were driven into war industries in order to provide the necessities of life for their dependents and themselves. Many who remained in teaching were forced to seek part time employment to supplement their meager incomes. It became impossible to interest stu-

dents in expending both time and money in preparation for a profession which promised far less financial return than could be assured after a few weeks of preparation in industry. These are a few of the reasons for the current teacher shortage.

Belchertown is fortunate in having some good teachers who, because of family ties, prefer to remain here. Some of these could command higher salaries elsewhere, but fortunately they remain. Replacements present an entirely different problem and it has become extremely difficult to secure even the inexperienced teachers for the salaries offered, unless they, like our local teachers, find it to their advantage to be geographically located here.

Recently the citizens of Belchertown, in special Town Meeting assembled, approved without question a salary increase for school personnel on a cost of living basis. This action was sponsored by the School Committee and was approved by a majority of the members of the Finance Committee.

A low tax rate is a popular cry and a most comfortable thing, but if it is maintained low at the expense of the education of our children, the value of such false economy is not only open to question, but we have failed in our obligations to our future citizens who cannot speak for themselves. Any honest approach to the matter of cost of education in Belchertown must include the realization that only fifty to sixty per cent of it is derived from local taxation, as compared to an eighty to ninety per cent average for communities throughout the state. The Committee is convinced that the majority of citizens will be willing to support reasonable expenditures.

The matter of the dissolution of the existing school union with Ware, and the reallocation of the time of the superintendent and the elementary supervisor is fully covered in the Report of the Superintendent and needs no further elaboration here.

One rather large item in the proposed school budget pertains to the renewal of the roof at Grade School. This original roof is beyond the patching stage, and needed painting of rooms has been postponed since this would represent a waste of time and money until the reroofing has been completed. Other repairs

and renewals which have been impossible because of material shortages must now be given consideration.

The Committee expresses thanks to the Building Investigating Committee for action instituted to place Belchertown in an advantageous position relative to federal building aid. The Committee would also extend sincere thanks to Superintendent Greenfield for his capable administration of school affairs in a most difficult period. He has always exhibited a spirit of helpful cooperation, and his experience and judgment have aided Committee deliberations. Our thanks go also to the Elementary Supervisor and to all others who have rendered loyal service to both those charged with the functioning of the schools and the pupils, and to whom the education and welfare of our youth is a sacred trust.

SCHOOL BUDGET

	Expended 1946	1947 Budget
GENERAL CONTROL		
Salaries		
(a) School Committee	\$130.00	\$130.00
(b) Superintendent	1,728.26	1,200.00
Expenses: Inc. out-of-State travel		
(a) School Committee		10.00
(b) Superintendent: Travel, telephone, clerk, correspondence, etc.	672.37	785.00
(c) Law Enforcement	47.68	50.00
INSTRUCTION		
Teachers' Salaries	38,072.78	44,830.00
Teachers' Expenses	265.80	225.00
Supplies	991.30	800.00
Text Books	519.47	950.00
OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT		
Janitors' Salaries	2,012.93	2,310.00
Janitors' Supplies—Electricity, telephone, miscellaneous	1,108.79	1,300.00

Fuel	2,076.45	2,500.00
REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS	541.05	1,925.00
HEALTH		
School Physician	200.00	200.00
Nurse	1,108.16	1,275.00
Supplies	15.91	20.00
TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS	10,030.00	10,090.00
MISCELLANEOUS		
Cartage, Express, diplomas, etc.	162.05	130.00
NEW EQUIPMENT		
HOUSEHOLD ARTS (Included in other items in previous budgets)		2,980.00
Expended from special funds	795.43	
	\$60,478.43	\$71,710.00

Note—Reimbursement from State is \$19,207.40

In order to properly maintain the schools of Belchertown, the School Committee unanimously recommends the adoption of the above budget and an appropriation of \$71,710.00.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR E. WESTWELL
GEORGE A. POOLE
FANNY G. MOREY

Belchertown, Massachusetts
January 10, 1947

Report of Superintendent of Schools

January 1, 1947

To the Members of Belchertown School Committee:

Herewith is submitted my sixth annual report as your Superintendent. As we survey the work of a year that is past, we should be guided toward a broader vision of the new one that lies ahead. New problems are presented, and because of this fact we cannot remain static. In Education, as in business and industry, we find ourselves in the throes of the aftermath of a world-wide eruption. Nothing can escape the consequences of so violent changes as have affected the lives of hundreds of millions of people. How the future of the world is to be moulded; how the peoples of our planet are to live together; and how we are to profit by past mistakes to create greater co-operation toward peaceful ends; these are largely the responsibility of Education. For through the medium of Education: the infinite secrets of science are discovered; the intricacies of mechanical devices are clarified and man's mind is directed toward higher and saner levels of living. The very span of life has been nearly doubled in the past fifty years through research and education. We have spent great energy in learning to exist and produce; as I see it now, our goal should be to learn *how* to live. Only a few years ago the general conception of Education was merely a process of acquiring facts over a certain period of years, the exact number largely dependent upon the economic status of the family. Today we have a far broader conception, which should surround the child almost from infancy through adolescence, youth and maturity. The truly educated man never ceases to learn. Education should be

carried to the home, shop, and farm, and should be available in any form for those of all ages. Only in recent years have departments of guidance been established in our schools, and yet no school system has completely satisfactory facilities for this important task, largely because of lack of funds and trained personnel.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

As is too often the case, the changes in our teaching force have been numerous during 1946. While we enjoy having new personalities become acquainted with charming Belchertown, an annual turnover of between 30 and 40 per cent offers many obstacles to constructive policies. It is to be hoped that relief to the real estate tax payer in the form of greater contributions from the State will result from action of the present session of the General Court. Only in this way can the smaller communities hope to pay salaries that will attract and hold good teachers.

Soon after school opened in September, it became apparent that the increased membership in the High School created too great a burden on the existing teaching force, and the best course that was open was to transfer Mrs. Bernard Bowler from Liberty School to the High School staff. Since that time, we have been compelled to seek the services of substitute teachers at Liberty, although search has been made far and wide for a permanent teacher.

Mr. John Laramie, Miss Kathleen Roy and Miss Marguerite Meehan were secured to fill the places vacated by Mr. Francis Hazeltine, Miss Dorothy Savoit and Miss Gladys Midura respectively at the High School. After Miss Louise Mullen left the Household Arts department, the State Department could find no teacher for us, and we were indeed fortunate in persuading Mrs. Belding Jackson to fill in the gap for the year.

At the Center School, Mrs. John Laramie took the place of Miss Charlotte Cronin, and at Union School, Miss Anna Sullivan replaced Miss Mary Guinee.

Mrs. Patrick Landers was elected to succeed Miss Phyllis Smith as Supervisor of Music.

In janitors, we have likewise had changes. Mr. E. Clifton Witt was succeeded by Mr. John Fairchild, who, in turn was succeeded by Mr. George Dewey. I hope we may be able to have Mr. Dewey's services for a long time.

HOUSING AND GRADING

While on the subject of personnel, I must point out the fact that many of our class rooms are too crowded for the accomplishment of a modern program. Twenty-five pupils should be the maximum for a first grade teacher and 30 for all other grades, if single grades. Many of our grades are mixed, and this creates added problems. A teacher with more than 25 pupils has very little time for individual help, with the result that too many slow, but normal-minded children, are retarded. If we omit the harm done to the children and think of it as a problem in economics, the cost of giving an extra year to ten children, would nearly pay for an extra teacher.

There are about 18½ million children in public schools in the United States today, and authorities figure that a peak of about 23 million will be reached in the middle 1950's. Certainly, the problem of housing must be a vital concern to all, and soon.

TEACHER SHORTAGE

The problem of teacher shortage has been publicized so much in the press of late, I should not use space here to repeat it. However, it affects the life of the community so vitally, I cannot refrain from mentioning it. With a constantly increasing enrolment in elementary grades in prospect for at least five or six years; the enrolment in teacher training institutions is about ⅓ below normal; an estimated 160,000 untrained teachers now holding temporary positions; and 60,000 class rooms vacant because no teachers can be procured, what are we facing? Prior to 1940, public employees' salaries were more attractive because they were exempt from Federal Tax. Now they are not, and

their salaries have not even been advanced since then sufficient to meet the 52.3% increased living costs. Teaching is a highly skilled profession, and if Education is to perform its rightful function, it must recruit a high type of teachers. No one begrudges paying a good fee to the physician who builds up a strong body; is not the one who trains and builds a strong mind likewise worthy of being treated generously? I believe the very future of our nation depends upon the quality of people we are able to enlist for training to become teachers.

N E A

I am happy to report that our teaching force is enrolled 100% in the National Education Association this year, showing that they are alive to the ever changing phases of their profession.

PROFESSIONAL IMPROVEMENT

The interest teachers have shown in professional improvement has been most gratifying. Attendance at Late Afternoon, Saturday, and Summer School Courses involves a personal expenditure of the individual's time and money. The values derived by the teachers are reflected in the enrichment of their teaching and improvement of method.

During the past year, college credit courses have been taken by the following teachers: Kathleen Roy, Eleanor Fitzgerald, Vera Harrington, Marion Shaw, Irene Orlando and Carl Peterson.

After the close of school in June, Eleanor Fitzgerald, Alice Flaherty, Vera Harrington and Marion Shaw attended the three-day institute for Massachusetts Elementary Teachers at the Bridgewater State Teachers College. The School Department reimbursed the teachers for part of their expenses at this conference.

SCHOOL COSTS

Costs in general are still higher for books, supplies, fuel and

furnishings. Many items are double what they were in 1941; some even more.

SUPERINTENDENCY UNION NO. 54

I think it only just to state for the public information exactly what has transpired in the Superintendency Union No. 54. Early last year, the Committees of both Ware and Belchertown became convinced that the towns were too large and too widely separated to work efficiently as a Union under conditions prevailing today. They voted to seek dissolution, which was refused by the State Department on the ground that the three-year term had until July 1947 to run. However, my time allotment was changed so that I spend one fifth in Belchertown, instead of two fifths as formerly, and Mr. Carl J. Peterson is Elementary Supervisor on a full-time basis. Recently, the joint committee of the Union made another request of the Commissioner to find a way in which the Union can be dissolved and Belchertown placed with some other town, as it is required to be by law because of valuation. If this is brought about, the dissolution will take place next July.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Graciously, for many years individuals and organizations have contributed awards of various types to pupils in the High School who have shown special merit in a particular way. To all these donors I bespeak the gratitude of the School Department.

To all my co-workers, nurse, clerk, janitors, and transportation men, I express my personal heartfelt appreciation for their continued loyalty to the task we have in hand, and their desire to create greater opportunities for building good lives.

I want to thank the citizens and parents for their charitable attitude toward and interest in the schools. No organization can be perfect; we make mistakes of omission and commission, but we are anxious to correct them. Your criticisms, as well as an occasional word of praise, are always welcome.

To you, members, I have a deep admiration and feeling of respect for the oftentimes thankless task you are shouldering.

Your trust in me, your vision of the future, your constant consideration for both the children and taxpayers of Belchertown offer a continual inspiration to perform to the limit of one's ability. As a last word, may I say that in the decision of our chairman, Dr Westwell, not to seek re-election, we shall all suffer the loss of his leadership and experience.

Respectfully submitted,

M. LEROY GREENFIELD

Report of High School Principal

Mr. M. Leroy Greenfield
Superintendent of Schools

My fourth annual report as principal of Belchertown High School is herewith submitted:

The enrollment in September, 1946, was

	Boys	Girls	Totals
Seniors	14	11	25
Juniors	9	13	22
Sophomores	13	15	28
Freshmen	22	26	48
Eighth Grade	22	24	46
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	80	89	169

Of the 17 graduates in June, 1946, Nancy Farley is enrolled in the Nursing Curriculum of the School of Education at Boston University; Shirley Hazen is a student in the Department of Journalism of the College of Business Administration at Boston University; Allen Tadgell is attending Massachusetts State College; John Krawiec is studying at the American International College; Stanford Harrington has enlisted in the Quartermaster Corps of the U. S. Army; Paul Barrett has enlisted in the Air Corps of the U. S. Army; Helen Baril and Florence Brulotte have employment with the F. W. Sickles Co. of Chicopee; Claire Lamoureux is employed by the Monsanto Plastic Company of Springfield; Mary McKillop has a position with the Chemical Corporation of Springfield; Mrs. Robert White, nee Grace

Dodge, works in the office of Dr. Pereira. Phyllis Cook is employed at the Sporting Goods Company in Springfield; Rita Bouchard and Janice Story are employed at the State School; and Anne Henry, Mary Kulig, and Theodore Rhodes are at home.

The June, 1946 graduates took a class trip to New York City and Washington. This educational trip will always be remembered by those that made the tour.

Belchertown High School is a member of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Graduates of this high school are admitted to most colleges without examination if an average of 80 per cent has been achieved in college preparatory subjects. The State Department of Education classifies this as a class A accredited school.

The Belchertown High School program of study includes the college (which is divided into the science and liberal arts), the general, and the commercial curricula.

The Iowa Tests of Educational Development were administered once more last fall. These tests assist in giving each individual boy and girl those learning experiences best suited to his individual needs and abilities and measure the changes effected in the pupil's educational development.

An increasing number of extra-curricular activities have been functioning during the past year. Some of these include: a school orchestra, a French club, class dances, the Junior-Senior play, "Pride and Prejudice", the publishing of the several editions of the "Oracle", the various class projects for Fair Day, the magazine drive and Christmas cards sale, the Christmas party, the Junior Prom, the Election Day food sales, the American Legion Oratorical Contest, the Student Council's meeting at Amherst, the convention of the W. M. L. S. P. in Springfield, the participating in the Elks' Flag Day and Knights of Pythias contests, the taking part in a Ludlow P. T. A. program, and the participation in "Invitation to College" radio program.

In athletics, our basket ball season last year was not very satisfactory as there were limited facilities for practice. However, in baseball, a successful season was enjoyed with a record of ten

victories and one defeat.

Special assemblies included an outstanding program by the pupils of Grade Eight for Memorial Day, the presenting of several scenes from "Abe Lincoln" by Miss Chrystine Coleman, director of Dramatic Art at Becker Junior College, and an address, "Automobile Accident Preventions", by Mr. Alfred McLean, a representative of the Merchants' Mutual Casualty Company of Buffalo, New York.

The members of the Eighth Grade enjoyed a historical tour of Boston and Eastern Massachusetts, sponsored by the American Legion last June.

Jane Kimball and Louise Romaniak were our representatives at Girls' State, and George Jackson was a delegate at Boys' State.

We were all deeply grieved by the tragic death of John McKillop, a member of the Junior Class, on December 27, 1946. The faculty and student body extend their sympathy to the bereaved family.

Thank you, Mr. Greenfield, for your interest in the welfare of Belchertown High School.

Respectfully submitted,

GUY E. HARRINGTON

Principal of the High School

Report of Household Arts Supervisor

Mr. M. Leroy Greenfield
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Mr. Greenfield:

At the present time we have an enrollment of forty-five in the Household Arts Department: seven Sophomores, sixteen Freshmen, and twenty-two Eighth Grade pupils.

The Freshmen and Sophomores started the year with canning lessons, learning the more common methods of food preservation such as: cold pack, hot pack, open kettle method, marmalade and pickling. Because of the small amount of sugar available, the canning of fruits was limited; however, fruit juice was canned in readiness for jelly making at a later date.

In clothing classes the Sophomores have made wool jumpers, slacks, skirts, and tailored blouses. The Freshmen have worked on cotton materials to make dresses, slacks, pajamas, and blouses. The Eighth Grade girls have made aprons to wear in the cooking classes which will start directly.

The food classes are getting under way at present with the Sophomore girls having very good results in making pastry and yeast breads of various kinds. The Freshmen girls are just completing the breakfast unit.

The department was awarded a complimentary prize of \$5.00 for its exhibit of canned products and clothing at the Belcher-town Fair.

In October the Sophomore girls visited the Springfield Trade School where they were escorted to various classes of particular interest. The high light of the day was luncheon, served in the

very attractive Tea Room. Transportation was furnished by Mrs. Marion Farley, of the Advisory Committee, and Mrs. Hilda Westwell.

Hot lunches are prepared and served at cost to the teachers and pupils who desire them.

Now that the war is over, scarcities will soon be at an end. The Household Arts room needs a new electric range as soon as possible, and really should have two ranges of different types if the girls are to have an opportunity for much practise in cooking. An electric sewing machine is on order.

When the town is planning expansion of its school plant, the need of much more ample space for Household Arts must not be overlooked. The present space is not at all adequate for the number of girls enrolled, and the facilities for serving school lunches are very limited. However, everyone co-operates so well with the department that we forget the difficulties inherent in the cramped space.

FLORENCE JACKSON

Report of School Nurse

Mr. M. Leroy Greenfield
Superintendent of Schools

Dear Mr. Greenfield:

Herewith is submitted my annual report as School Nurse, of the Belchertown Health Program for the year ending December 31, 1946.

School visits	352
Home visits	168
Pupils referred to School Physician	53
Pupils transferred to homes by Nurse	67
Communicable Diseases:	
Measles	3
Whooping Cough	3
Mumps	1
Scabies	11
Ringworm	2
Number of pupils excluded with Pediculi	8
Physical examinations	429
Apparent defects found by examination	14
Number of pupils given Visual Test	432
Number rechecked	109
Apparent defects found by examination	93
Number of pupils given Audiometer Test	374
Apparent defects found by examination	5
Number of pupils transported to Chest Clinic	22

In the Elementary schools, all children have been weighed and measured at least twice (in some instances three times) during the school year. In the High School it has been done once as has been the custom. A very small number showed loss of weight, the majority gaining in both weight and height.

In January, when classes resumed, there was very poor attendance due to colds, sore throats, and grippe. Following the February vacation, many children were absent or excluded from the Elementary Schools because of prolonged coughs. The majority of these children were absent for a long period of time. During both epidemics all schools were visited daily, and any child showing signs of ill health was examined and if conditions warranted, was excluded.

Dr. James Collard gave each child a physical examination and parents were notified of any physical defect found.

During the school year use was made of the Massachusetts Visual Equipment and Audiometer, and notices were sent to the parents concerning apparent defects.

There are a few suggestions I would like to make to parents and guardians concerning the health program in the home: make sure the child has a good, wholesome breakfast before starting for school; make sure that he is properly clothed for the weather that particular day; provide a substantial lunch including something warm during the cold weather; plan a well balanced meal at the end of the day; arrange for the proper amount of sleep in a well ventilated room and provide plenty of active recreation outdoors, weather permitting.

I feel that it is very important to have prompt medical attention for any child that carries an elevated temperature, has any sign of communicable disease, general malaise, marked or gradual loss of weight. A child should not be sent to school when he shows any sign of ill health. It should be borne in mind by the parent that we are not only protecting the welfare of the individual child, but all the other children in the school. I am grateful to the parents who have given me their cooperation.

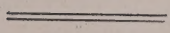
I would recommend that, if possible, it would be to our ad-

vantage to own a Massachusetts Visual Equipment Kit. This equipment is loaned to us by the State and is not always available when we could use it to the most advantage. It requires more time to test each child than the method used previously, and if we had one of our own, tests could be made throughout the year and every child would benefit.

I would like to express my appreciation to Mr. M. Leroy Greenfield, Superintendent of Schools; Dr. James Collard, School Physician, and to all school personnel for the cooperation they have extended to me in my work during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

MINNIE N. DAVIS, R. N.



ENROLMENT AS OF DECEMBER 1946

SCHOOL	GRADES												TOTALS
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Center	31	28	11	27	31	25	25						178
Franklin	10	6	9	12	8	7	9						61
Liberty	2	2	4	3	3	5							19
Union	10	2	2	4									18
High								47	46	27	21	25	166
	53	38	26	46	42	37	34	47	46	27	21	25	442

School Financial Report

CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

GENERAL CONTROL

School Committee		
Salaries	\$130.00	
Expenses		\$130.00
Superintendent of Schools		
Salary	1,728.00	
Expenses—Including clerk, postage, telephone, stationery, travel in and out of state	672.37	
Law Enforcement	47.68	2,448.31

INSTRUCTION

Teachers' Salaries	38,072.78	
Teachers' Expenses	265.80	
Supplies	991.30	
Text Books	519.47	39,849.35

OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT

Janitor Service	2,012.93	
Fuel	2,076.45	
Supplies, electricity, telephone	1,108.79	5,198.17

MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT

Repairs and Replacements	541.05	541.05
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AUXILIARY AGENCIES

Promotion of Health	1,324.07	
Transportation of Pupils	10,030.00	11,354.07

MISCELLANEOUS	162.05	162.05
NEW EQUIPMENT		

TOTAL EXPENDITURE FROM APPROPRIATION		\$59,683.00
From Special Funds:		795.43
Total Cost of Schools		\$60,478.43

RECEIPTS		
Appropriation	57,450.00	
Special Appropriation	2,233.00	
Available Funds	795.43	60,478.43

RECEIPTS—from other sources than Local

Taxation:

Department of Public Welfare

State Wards	\$5,177.47
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City (Boston) Wards	125.79
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State—School Fund Part I	6,400.84
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State—School Fund Part II	5,853.00
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Household Arts, Reimbursement	835.41
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Supt. of Schools, Reimbursement	814.49	19,207.40
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USED from Available Funds

Smith Hughes Fund	124.42
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George Deen	258.61
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Longley Music Fund	47.20
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Bridgman High School Fund	365.20	795.43
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\$20,002.83

RECAPITULATION:

Total Cost of Schools	60,478.43
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Offset to 1947 Taxes	19,207.40
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Used from Available Funds	793.43	20,002.83
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ACTUAL COST TO THE TOWN		40,475.60
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Commencement

OF THE

BELCHERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

June 20

1946

Lawrence Memorial Hall

8:00 P. M.

Graduates

Helen Mary Baril
Paul Harry Barrett
Rita Marguerite Bouchard
Florence Brulotte
Phyllis Adele Cook
Grace Evelyn Dodge
Nancy Ann Farley
Stanford John Harrington
Shirley Ann Hazen
Anne Marie Henry
John Michael Krawiec
Mary Catherine Kulig
Claire Adrienne Lamoureux
Mary Rose McKillop
Theodore Charles Rhodes
Janice Story
Henry Allen Tadgell

Program

Processional		Miss Lois Chadbourne Miss Diane Allen Accompanists
Invocation		Reverend Andrew F. Sullivan
Songs	At Nightfall <i>Doris A. McCarthy</i> Song at Dawn <i>Enrico Panzacchi</i>	High School Chorus
		Directed by Miss Phyllis Smith
Salutatory		Nancy Ann Farley
Songs	I Love a Parade <i>Harold Arlen</i> Stout Hearted Men <i>Sigmund Romberg</i>	High School Chorus
Valedictory		Shirley Ann Hazen
Songs	Music In The Air <i>Student Collection</i> Battle Hymn of the Republic <i>Julia Ward Howe</i>	High School Chorus
Emory F. Munsell Award		Reverend Richard Manwell
Introduction of the speaker of the evening—Supt. Arthur E. Burke—by M. Leroy Greenfield, Superintendent of Schools		
Senior Pro Merito Awards		G. E. Harrington Principal of High School
Awarding of Diplomas		Dr. Arthur E. Westwell Chairman School Committee
Benediction		Reverend Richard Manwell

RECEPTION

TEACHERS IN SERVICE JANUARY 6, 1947

Name	Position	Institutions Attended	Home
Guy E. Harrington	Principal High School and Grade 8	Boston University	Belchertown, Mass.
Osborne Davis	V. Principal, Science	Massachusetts State College	Belchertown, Mass.
Sophia M. Pero	Latin and English	Pembroke College	Mattapoisett, Mass.
John Laramie	Social Science and Coach	Middlebury College	Fairhaven, Vt.
Marguerite Meehan	Commercial Subjects	American International College	Springfield, Mass.
Kathleen Roy	French and English	American International College	Springfield, Mass.
Florence Jackson	Household Arts	Boston Domestic School	Belchertown, Mass.
Ada W. Tague	History and Science	Iowa State College	Amherst, Mass.
Vera Harrington	Principal Center and Grade 7	Summer School. University of Vermont	Belchertown, Mass.
Marion K. Shaw	Center Grade 6	Summer School, Hyannis and North Adams Normal Schools	Belchertown, Mass.
Alice Flaherty	Center Grades 4, 5	M. S. C. Summer School and University Extension Courses	Belchertown, Mass.
Irene B. Orlando	Center Grades 1 and 2	Summer School, Fitchburg Normal School	Belchertown, Mass.
Madeleine B. Orlando	Center Grade 5	Summer School, Fitchburg Normal School	Belchertown, Mass.
Mary Laramie	Center Grades 2 and 3	Plymouth State Teachers College	Belchertown, Mass.
Eleanor Fitzgerald	Principal Franklin, Grades 1, 2, 3	North Adams Normal School	Fairhaven, Vt.
Nellie G. Shea	Franklin Grades 4, 5	University Extension Courses	Belchertown, Mass.
Mildred Sullivan	Franklin, Grades 6, 7	North Adams Normal School	Belchertown, Mass.
Bernadette Bowler	Grade 8, and Algebra	Westfield Normal School	Belchertown, Mass.
Anna Sullivan	Union	Bay Path and Extension Courses	Belchertown, Mass.
Carl J. Peterson	Supervising Principal of all Elementary Schools	Fitchburg State Teachers' College and Boston University	Gilbertville, Mass.
Blanche Austin	Liberty	North Adams Normal	Belchertown, Mass.
Mary C. Landers	Supervisor of Music	Westfield Normal School	Belchertown, Mass.

School Calendar

1947

January 2—Thursday, Schools open

February 21—Friday, Schools close for one week

April 4—Schools closed, Good Friday

April 25—Friday, Schools close for one week

May 30—Friday, Decoration Day

June 13—Friday, Elementary Schools close for summer

June 20—Friday, High School closes for summer

September 3—Wednesday, Schools open for Fall term

October 13—Monday, Celebration of Columbus Day

November 11—Tuesday, Armistice Day

November 26—Wednesday, Schools close at noon for Thanksgiving recess

December 23—Tuesday, Schools close for Christmas vacation

1948

January 5—Monday, Schools open for Winter term

APPENDIX

List of Jurors

Austin, Charles	Real Estate	Blue Meadow Rd.
Ayers, Lafayette W.	Checker	Federal St.
Baggs, Robert N.	Farmer	C. Walker St.
Bowler, Bernard J.	Inspector	So. Liberty St.
Chaffee, Dudley	Engineer	Maple St.
Conkey, Harry W.	Farmer	Kimball St.
Flaherty, John T.	Farmer	No. Main St.
Geer, Everett A.	Electrician	So. Liberty St.
Holt, Ellery C.	Machinist	Bardwell St.
Isaac, Edward J.	Farmer	C. Walker St.
Keyes, Michael V.	Lathe Operator	Keyes St.
Kimball, Harold E.	Radio Shopowner	Cottage St.
Knight, Howard W.	Guard	East Walnut St.
Menard, Albert J.	Product Control	Main St.
Ross, Alexander	Farmer	Munsell St.
Rys, John	Millwright	Franklin St.
Schmidt, Edward L.	Poultryman	No. Washington St.
Shea, George A.	Wheelwright	Shea Ave.
Utley, Frederick K., Jr.	Plastic Worker	Main St.
Webster, William N.	Gas Station Owner	Federal St.

APPENDIX

Statistical Report of Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED, 1946

Date	Name	Parents
January		
3	Marilyn Bernice Potter	Russell A. and Dorothy Potter
8	Robert Norman Provast	Francis X. and Cecilia I. Provast
February		
14	Susan Ellen Miner	Leland A. and Helen H. Miner
20	Christine Nancy Szpila	Anthony I. and Antoinette E. Szpila
March		
6	Judith Anne Dufault	Arthur L. and Virginia B. Dufault
8	Bronislaus Stanley Socha, Jr.	Bronislaus S. and Antolena A. Socha
13	Richard Norman Kimball	Richard O. and Anna M. Kimball
18	Ronald Raymond Wheble	Sidney T., Jr., and Evelyn G. Wheble
April		
7	Ruth Ellen Dodge	Walter E. and Annie Dodge
9	Richard Boyko	Walter J. and Lena A. Boyko

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May

- 8 Karen Ann Desforges
Edgar and Gertrude A. Desforges

- 23 Catherine Rose Ferenz Joseph and Pauline Ferenz

June

- 1 Marilyn Eleanor Bain Robert W. and Eleanor Bain

- 14 Patricia Elaine Wadsworth
Walter M.. Jr., and Louise Wadsworth

- 24 Roger Conrad Gaughan
Thomas W. and Eva A. Gaughan

July

- 3 Mary Christina Holland
Hudson and Christine F. Holland

- 8 Charles Peter Tokarz, Jr.
Charles P. and Ann Marie Tokarz

- 12 Ralph Roger Gebo
Jeremiah J. and Geraldine E. Gebo

- 21 Leslie Edward Squires Lewis and Ethel Squires

- 27 Sally Frances Davis Harlan B. and Frances Davis

- 27 Kathaleen Linda Shumway
Edgar M. and Doris Shumway

August

- 30 Jane Marie Peterson
Carl J., Jr., and Maxine Peterson

September

- 1 Andrew John Sears Andrew T. and Victoria T. Sears

- 7 Diane Victoria Lusty David D. and Amelia Lusty

- 14 James Michael McKillop, Jr.
James M. and Viola McKillop

- 21 Diane Sylvia Casteldine
Joseph R. and Sylvia W. Castledine

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23 Arthur John Moriarty, Jr.

Arthur J. and Stephanie M. Moriarty

24 Diane Kay Supczak Stanley M. and Sophie H. Supczak

October

1 Candyce Anne Magee Keith and Beatrice Magee

20 Shirley Ann Lashway Edward J. and Ruby Lashway

27 Patricia Jean Menard Raymond and Susan Menard

28 Stephen Walter Bigda Stephen M. and Jane J. Bigda

29 Carl Erick Hoaglin Frank M. and Mary L. Hoaglin

November

2 Patricia Louise Very Frederick S. and Pearl Very

12 James Edward Moore Thomas K. and Pearl D. Moore

19 Susan Virginia Forsythe

George and Esther J. Forsythe

20 Joanne Lynn Gould Sherman L. and Ruth E. Gould

December

8 Linda Mae Lyons Francis J. and Pearl A. Lyons

13 William Byron Brooks
James G. and Elizabeth C. Brooks

18 Michael Paul Amico
Anthony F. and Laurretta Amico

30 Duane Elliot Jenks Robert and Gladys M. Jenks

MARRIAGES RECORDED, 1946

January

11 Edward Louis Germain, Belchertown, Mass.

Virginia June White, Springfield, Mass.

19 Everett Benoit, Belchertown, Mass.

Viola Rose Gardner, Belchertown, Mass.

19 Kendrick McKee, Palmer (Three Rivers) Mass.

Elaine S. Fenton, Palmer (Three Rivers) Mass.

19 Warren M. Bock, Belchertown, Mass.

Ruth Joy Dickinson, Springfield, Mass.

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- 19 Stephen J. Paydos, Hardwick (Gilbertville) Mass.
Stephanie S. Lech, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.

February

- 16 Walter Rudek, Ware, Mass.
Joan S. Piechda, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.
23 Frank W. Kokoski, Ware, Mass.
Evelyn Ely, Ware, Mass.

March

- 2 Maurice A. Mahen, Granby, Mass.
Lorraine H. Isabelle, Granby, Mass.
9 Jay Lewis Johnson, Miles City, Montana
Patricia Sellew, Middletown, Conn.
14 Roland A. Lamoureux, Belchertown, Mass.
Gladys A. Gilbert, Leeds, Mass.
23 Edward Odett Lofland, Belchertown, Mass.
Martha Elizabeth Mabb, West Springfield, Mass.
30 Nathan Harold Tucker, Jr., Longmeadow, Mass.
Ruthella Marion Conkey, Belchertown, Mass.

April

- 11 Bertram R. Butler, Belchertown, Mass.
Evelyn Louise Stone, Ludlow, Mass.
27 Alfred Preston Atwood, Belchertown, Mass.
Georgia Ware Lee, Belchertown, Mass.
27 Leonard H. Prescott, Pelham, Mass.
Florence E. Fay, Belchertown, Mass.
27 Joseph P. Slosak, Palmer (Thorndike) Mass.
Josephine M. Handzel, Ware, Mass.
29 Bernard J. Romanik, Bondsville, Mass.
Monica T. Lebida, Belchertown, Mass.

May

- 11 Walter Smola, Belchertown, Mass.
Alice Stephanie Jamrog, Thorndike, Mass.

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- 25 Frederick P. Jambora, Palmer (Thorndike) Mass.
Helen M. Jorczaek, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.

June

- 1 Stanley Wilczynski, Trenton, N. J.
Anna M. Pietras, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.
- 2 Stanley A. Dranka, Palmer (Three Rivers) Mass.
Matilda A. Kwasniewska, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.
- 9 Frank S. Urban, Ware, Mass.
Anna M. Midura, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.
- 15 Roy F. Whidden, Belchertown, Mass.
Elizabeth M. Tucker, Belchertown, Mass.
- 15 Michael Joseph Czech, Belchertown, Mass.
Jean Mary Bednarz, Springfield (I. O.) Mass.
- 15 Stephen Eric Bristol, Hadley, Mass.
Cecelia Lorraine McLean, Belchertown, Mass.
- 16 Edward J. Szostek, Palmer (Three Rivers) Mass.
Stephanie M. Skowron, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.
- 29 Stanley S. Stanek, Springfield (Indian Orchard) Mass.
Josephine A. Balon, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.

July

- 6 Roy Joseph Leclair, Holyoke, Mass.
Eva Mary Courchesne, Belchertown, Mass.
- 7 Peter Stolar, Belchertown, Mass.
Virginia Lubas, Salem, Mass.

August

- 10 Alfred Joseph Voudreau, Belchertown, Mass.
Ann P. Pobieglo, Palmer (Three Rivers) Mass.
- 11 Maurice T. Sullivan, Belchertown, Mass.
Cecile L. (Forcier) Peet, Holyoke, Mass.
- 18 John Lisiewicz, Belchertown, Mass.
Kacimiara Josephine Bysiewicz, Palmer (Thorndike)
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- 24 Frank Charles Leganza, Belchertown, Mass.
Celia Bigda, Chicopee Falls, Mass.
- 31 Ernest Morse Gay, Belchertown, Mass.
Loretta Eleanor Murry, Springfield, Mass.

September

- 1 Anthony Joseph Bak, Belchertown, Mass.
Rose Grycel, Holyoke, Mass.
- 28 Chester John Skorupski, Hatfield, Mass.
Rocanne Julia Mish, Belchertown, Mass.

October

- 5 Michael E. Flaherty, Belchertown, Mass.
Mary E. Dasco, Palmer, Mass.
- 5 Robert Amos White, Belchertown, Mass.
Grace Evelyn Dodge, Belchertown, Mass.
- 13 Rudolph M. Pisarczyk, West Warren, Mass.
Helen L. Wachta, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.
- 19 Donald M. Lefebvre, Holyoke, Mass.
Alice R. Genereux Bergeron, Holyoke, Mass.
- 20 Gerard F. Pare, Springfield, Mass.
Helen A. Balon, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.

November

- 4 Joseph F. Austin, Belchertown, Mass.
Claire E. Sullivan, Bondsville, Mass.
- 9 Albert Francis Dewhurst, Jr., Belchertown, Mass.
Eleanor Mae Thompson, Charlemont, Mass.
- 9 Earl Joseph Lamoureux, Belchertown, Mass.
Annette Lena Bonneau, Granby, Mass.
- 10 James Herbert Moore, Belchertown, Mass.
Dorothy Mae Robertson, Belchertown, Mass.
- 11 Harlan Dexter Rhodes, Belchertown, Mass.
Roberta Leone Bickford, Belchertown, Mass.

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- 29 Carl Eugene White, Belchertown, Mass.
 Lois Alice Carrington Tiernan, Belchertown, Mass.
- 30 Joseph Alvin Bush, Belchertown, Mass.
 Mildred Leigner, Belchertown, Mass.
- December
- 11 Sidney Pratt Stone, Belchertown, Mass.
 Helen Eunice Adriance, Pelham, Mass.
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DEATHS RECORDED, 1946

Date	Name and Place of Death	Age		
		yrs.	mos.	dys.
January				
1	Elizabeth Ankiynn Pranaitis, Belchertown	72		
6	William James Monson Sutherland, Belchertown	79	9	12
8	Charles Barber, Belchertown	57	6	16
12	Helen Maria Richardson, B. S. S.	19	4	17
February				
1	Thomas Spellman, Belchertown	80		
3	Peter Champagne, Holyoke	81	7	5
5	Victor Denis, B. S. S.	31	6	18
7	Elizabeth Chapin Murray, Belchertown	71	11	4
14	Maria Howard Stebbins Shaw, Belchertown	64	10	7
18	Roy O. Baggs, Belchertown	54	8	19
19	Joseph Klapotowski, Northampton	55		
March				
1	George B. Kenfield, Tewksbury	82	10	3
2	Thomas Francis Gormley, Palmer	70		
9	Joseph Eugene Foote, Jr., B. S. S.	22	10	15
14	Clarence Clyde Lamson, Bainbridge, Md.	18		22
16	Clarence Hathaway, B. S. S.	21	7	16
20	Stephen John Midura, Ware		11	

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April

2	Walter Dodge, Boston	43		14
3	Joseph Michalak, Ware	30	2	30
17	Lumina Dugre, Belchertown	69		
18	William G. Peeso, Belchertown	78	7	10
19	William H. M. Ramsden, B. S. S.	42	6	12

May

19	Eva Norkawitch Brown, Belchertown	72		
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June

5	Charles Peter Pierce, Belchertown	97	4	15
6	Lucius Robert Wright, Springfield	87	6	13
7	Voleda Labossiere, B. S. S.	38	2	5
13	Paul Kulig, Palmer	56		
20	Robert Earl Witherell, B. S. S.	42	1	15
28	Charles G. Trainor, Northampton	74		

July

5	David Monroe Hunter, Ware	74	3	22
7	Frank T. Mowry, B. S. S.	33	1	18
12	Mary Rainault, B. S. S.	68		
26	Anna Zitka, Belchertown	72	2	18

August

18	William A. Moos, Holyoke	76	7	16
19	Margaret T. Carmody, Belchertown	81	4	4
29	Patrick John Sullivan, Belchertown	83	11	8
29	Jennie R. Walker, Somerville	83	1	25

September

2	Marie C. Michel, Ware	82	3	21
5	Daniel Michael Shea, Belchertown	78	10	
11	Etta E. Young, Belchertown	73		26
29	Grace L. Stevens, Ware	77	7	11

October

2	George W. Clifford, Belchertown	52	10	17
2	Ella L. Twing, Belchertown	80		2
18	Margaret T. Ferriter, Palmer	80		

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November

20	Joseph Smith, Belchertown	85	5	7
22	Stella C. Tilley, Belchertown	73	10	16

December

7	Minnie Clara Baggs, Springfield	50	11	27
15	Charles E. Caron, Belchertown	44		
18	Inez Gertrude Kinsley, B. S. S.	55	8	29
27	John McKillop, Ware	16	8	
27	Lillie (Capen) Archambault, Belchertown	77	10	29

NON-RESIDENT BURIALS, 1946

January

4	Lilly Wood Randolph, Amherst	77	2	11
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February

14	Chester A. Wood, Somerville	63		7
19	Mary Shumway Little, Greensboro, N. C.	87		

March

1	Arthur E. Pease, Northampton	74	10	10
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April

2	Albert Edward Tilton, Springfield	74	9	27
10	Mary Emma Corbin, Malden	83	9	5

October

19	George Filer, Ludlow	60		
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November

6	Fred Burnett, Springfield	76	10	
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December

11	Ethel M. Woodard Belden	46	5	11
19	Marion E. Bridgman, Springfield	55	7	15

Minutes of Town Meetings

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FEB. 4 & 11, 1946

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To any of the constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said
County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places in said Belchertown, designated by the Selectmen, to wit:

IN PRECINCT A, at Lawrence Memorial Hall in Jabish Street.

IN PRECINCT B, at the Franklin School Building in Franklin Street in South Belchertown, on Monday, the fourth day of February, A. D. 1946, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to precinct officers of the several polling precincts of said Town for the following officers, to wit: a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, five Constables, a Tree Warden, each for one year; one School Committee Member for three years, one Tax Collector for three years, one Assessor for three years, one Assessor for two years, and one Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

The polls will be open at nine o'clock in the forenoon and closed at 7 o'clock p. m.

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And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Lawrence Memorial Hall in said Belchertown, on Monday, the eleventh day of February, A. D. 1946, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To choose the following named officers by nomination: two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year; one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years and one for one year.

Art. 2. To hear the reports of the officers of the town and of any committees that may have been appointed by the town and act thereon.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses listed in the Finance Committee report for the current financial year and act thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1946, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the school committee for the year ensuing, and act thereon.

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Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to allow the selectmen to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1946, as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.00, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for construction on Three Rivers Road under Chapter 90 Highways, in conjunction with State and County allotments, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to allow the cemetery commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemetery at a rate not to exceed 62½ cents per hour for the year 1946, as provided for in the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the care and mowing of the common, the amount to be expended under the direction of the Park Association, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of a room or rooms for the use of Patriotic organizations, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used to defray the expenses of a celebration to be held July 4th, 1946, in honor of the participants in World War II, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate or appropriate from available funds the sum of \$3,000.00 to complete the remodeling of the Old Town Hall and to purchase necessary equipment, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in making photostats of discharges of returning veterans for our Veterans' file, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to petition for legisla-

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tion to borrow outside the debt limit to build a new school building or to remodel a school building and to construct an addition thereto, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$387.18 to take care of an overdraft for 1945 for Old Age Assistance, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for bills incurred in 1945: Commonwealth of Massachusetts for snow removal, \$268.74; The Ryther & Warren Co., removal of lock-up, \$140.12; The Collins Electric Company, Inc., removal of lock-up, \$53.68; Thomas Hanifin, balance on bridge bill, \$183.65, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to allow trapping, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to install a street light on Jackson Street between the house occupied by Robert Camp and the last light near the Central Vermont Railroad crossing, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$580.00 for the purchase of a power lawn mower, plus plow attachment to use for clearing sidewalks, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to authorize the use of a sum not to exceed \$25,000, from the Surplus Revenue to meet the shares of the State and County allotments on highway repairs and maintenance under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Art. 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at MacMillan's Gas Station, so called, on the Amherst road, and one at Keyes' Hotel, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

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Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the town clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-sixth day of January, A. D. 1946.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
MARJORIE G. TILTON

Selectmen of Belchertown

ACTION TAKEN AT THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
HELD FEBRUARY 11, 1946, AT THE LAW-
RENCE MEMORIAL HALL

Prayer offered by Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan.

Art. 1. Chose Amy C. Witt and Louise Sherman almoners of the Whiting Street and the Susan M. D. Bridgman funds, each for one year; D. Donald Hazen trustee of the Calvin Bridgman fund for three years.

Art. 2. Voted to accept the reports of town officers as printed in the Annual Report, with the exception of the Finance Committee's report. The report of the committee on alterations and additions to the Grade School was accepted as a report of progress, and the present committee continued; voted that this building committee be and is hereby instructed that any building program shall be submitted to a meeting of not less than 150 voters.

Art. 3. Voted to act on the Finance Committee's report, each item to be considered as a separate motion. Voted:

Selectmen	\$800.00
Town Accountant	425.00
Treasurer	690.00
Tax Collector	800.00

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Assessors	800.00
Town Clerk	450.00
Certification of Notes	20.00
Law	100.00
Election and Registration	700.00
Town Hall	250.00
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00
Police	500.00
Fire Department	1,300.00
Forest Fires	1,100.00
Hydrant Service	1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00
Tree Warden	200.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	75.00
Health	800.00
Highways, Chapter 81	4,120.00
Highways, Chapter 90	500.00
Highways, Snow Removal	3,500.00
Highways, Streets	100.00
Highways, Bridges	600.00
Street Lights	2,000.00
Public Welfare	4,000.00
Veterans' Aid	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	21,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	1,800.00
Schools	57,450.00
Vocational Education	800.00
Caretaker Recreation Field	325.00
Cemeteries	600.00
Soldiers' Graves	75.00
Honor Roll	25.00
Unclassified	500.00
Interest	25.00
Insurance	1,500.00

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Memorial Day	100.00
Armistice Day	50.00
Town Clock	75.00
Public Dump	50.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00

Art. 4. Voted to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the Dog License fund after damages are paid.

Art. 5. Voted that the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1946 and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws. (The vote was unanimous.)

Art. 6. Voted to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account.

Art. 7. Voted to authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the School Committee for the year ensuing.

Art. 8. Voted to allow the Selectmen to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1946, as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.00.

Art. 9 Voted to appropriate from Available Funds \$3,500.00 for construction on the Three Rivers Road under Chapter 90 Highways, in conjunction with State and County allotments.

Art. 10. Voted to allow the Cemetery Commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemetery at a rate not to exceed 62½ cents per hour for the year 1946, as provided for in the General Laws.

Art. 11. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the care and mowing of the Common, the amount to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen; and that the Selectmen be authorized to charge a rental fee to such organizations or

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groups of persons as may wish to use said Common.

Art. 12. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the rental and maintenance of rooms known as the American Legion Headquarters.

Art. 13. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$1,000.00 to defray the expenses of a celebration to be held July 4, 1946, in honor of the participants of World War II, and that a committee be appointed consisting of a member from each of the following organizations: The Doric Club, Lions Club, Men's Club, Grange, Firemen, Double or Nothing, and the American Legion.

Art. 14. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$3,000.00 to complete the remodeling of the Old Town Hall and to purchase necessary equipment.

Art. 15. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be used in making photostats of discharges of returning veterans for our Veterans' file.

Art. 16. Voted that the Board of Selectmen be authorized to petition for legislation to borrow \$100,000.00 outside the legal debt limit for building a new school building or the remodeling of one of the present school buildings and building an addition thereto.

Art. 17. Voted to raise and appropriate \$387.18 to take care of an overdraft for 1945 for Old Age Assistance.

Art. 18. Voted to raise and appropriate the following sums for bills incurred in 1945: The Ryther & Warren Co., removal of lockup, \$140.12; The Collins Electric Co., Inc., removal of lockup, \$53.68; Thomas Hanifin, balance of bridge bill, \$183.65. (The vote was unanimous.)

Art. 19. Voted to indefinitely postpone.

Art. 20. Voted to install a street light on Jackson street between the house occupied by Robert Camp and the last light near the Central Vermont Railroad crossing.

Art. 21. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$580.00

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for the purchase of a power lawn mower, plus plow attachment.

Art. 22. Voted to authorize the use of a sum not to exceed \$25,000.00 from the Surplus Revenue to meet the shares of the State and County allotments on highway repairs and maintenance under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Art. 23. Appointed Isaac Hodgen and Romeo Joyal to the Town Finance Committee for a period of three years.

Adjourned at 9.05 P. M.

Attest,

GEORGE A. POOLE, *Town Clerk*

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
MAY 20, 1946

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

To any of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said County,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at Lawrence Memorial Hall on Jabish Street in said Belchertown, on Monday, the twentieth of May, A. D. 1946 at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a truck with dump body, snow plow attachment, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to allow one of the members of the Board of Selectmen to sell gravel to the town, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to purchase land bordering Lake Arcadia for a town park or recreational center, or take any action relative thereto.

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Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to purchase a garage owned by Harold B. Ketchen for the purpose of keeping town tools and equipment in, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at MacMillan's Gas Station on Amherst Road, and one at Keyes' Hotel, seven days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this tenth day of May A. D. 1946.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN, *Chairman*

MARJORIE G. TILTON, *Clerk*

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

ACTION TAKEN UNDER FOREGOING WARRANT

Art. 1. Voted to buy a truck for the sum of \$3,650.00 and that \$650.00 be appropriated from the Road Machinery Earnings Account, and the Town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow the sum of \$3,000.00 and to issue notes of the town therefor, payable in not more than five years from date of issue. The vote was unanimous.

Art. 2. Voted to allow one of the members of the Board of Selectmen to sell gravel to the town.

Art. 3. Voted to buy land bordering Lake Arcadia for a Town Park and that the sum of \$1,250.00 be transferred from the Sale of Real Estate Fund for the payment of the land.

Art. 4. Voted to purchase the garage owned by Harold B. Ketchen, formerly owned by William Squires, on Jabish Street, for the purpose of keeping the town tools and equipment in, and

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that \$350.00 be voted from the Sale of Real Estate Fund and \$3,250.00 be appropriated from available funds for the payment of same.

Art. 5. Adjourned: 8.27 P. M.

GEORGE A. POOLE, *Town Clerk*

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
JULY 30, 1946

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

To any of the constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said County,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at Lawrence Memorial Hall on Jabish Street in said Belchertown, on Tuesday, the thirtieth day of July, A. D. 1946 at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the Road Machinery Earnings Account to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for Aid to Dependent Children, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for Old Age Assistance, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to accept an extension of Everett Avenue, as a public street, for a distance of 335 feet, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from available funds, a sum of money to paint the face and numerals of the

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Town Clock, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from available funds, a sum of money for vocational education, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at MacMillan's Gas Station on the Amherst Road, and one at Keyes' Hotel, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of July A. D. 1946.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

MARJORIE G. TILTON

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

ACTION TAKEN UNDER THE FOREGOING WARRANT
JULY 30, 1946

Art. 1. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 from the Road Machinery Earnings Account to the Road Machinery Expense Account.

Art. 2. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$1,100.00 for Aid to Dependent Children.

Art. 3. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$15,000.00 for Old Age Assistance.

Art. 4. Voted down. No 13; Yes 10.

Art. 5. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$75.00 to paint the face and numerals of the Town Clock.

Art. 6. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of

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\$700.00 for vocational education.

Art. 7. Moved to adjourn.

Attest:

GEORGE A. POOLE, *Town Clerk*

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
DECEMBER 10, 1946

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To any of the constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said
County,*

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at Lawrence Memorial Hall on Jabish Street in said Belchertown, on Tuesday, the tenth of December, A. D. 1946 at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for the Police Department, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for Insurance, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for Streets, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for the Snow Removal Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for Aid to Dependent Children, or

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take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for Election and Registration, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Road Machinery Earnings Account a sum of money to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to accept an advance of money from the Federal Government for plans and engineering expenses in connection with the project to make alterations at the Center Grade School and to construct an addition thereto, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds a sum of money to increase salaries of school personnel, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise a sum of money to be used in conjunction with the amount raised at a special meeting held on May 20, 1946, for the purchase of a dump truck with snowplow attachment, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to rescind Article 21 of the annual meeting February 11, 1946, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will appropriate from available funds a sum of money to purchase a power lawn mower, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will appropriate from available funds a sum of money to purchase a power snow plow for the purpose of plowing sidewalks, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to trade a 1941 Ford chassis for another truck chassis, or take any action relative thereto.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial

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Hall, one at MacMillan's Gas Station on Amherst Road, and one at Keyes' Hotel seven days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-ninth day of November, A. D. 1946.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
MARJORIE G. TILTON
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

ACTION TAKEN UNDER THE FOREGOING WARRANT
DECEMBER 10, 1946

Art. 1. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$31.63 for the Police Department.

Art. 2. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$207.01 for Insurance.

Art. 3. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$22.60 for Streets.

Art. 4. Voted to appropriate from available funds the som of \$1,500.00 for Snow Removal.

Art. 5. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$200.00 for Aid to Dependent Children.

Art. 6. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$79.17 for Election and Registration.

Art. 7. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Earnings Account to the Road Machinery Expense Account the sum of \$1,500.00

Art. 8. Voted that the town accept the advance of a sum of \$5,600.00 from the Federal Government for plans and engineering expenses in connection with the project "To Make Altera-

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tions at the Center Grade School and to Construct An Addition Thereto."

Art. 9. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$2,233.00 for the purpose of increasing the salaries of School personnel from September 1, 1946, to December 31, 1946.

Art. 10. Not voted.

Art. 11. Voted to rescind action taken under Article 21 of the Annual Meeting of February, 1946.

Art. 12. Voted to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$414.00 for the purchase of a Power* Lawnmower.

Art. 13. Voted to lay on table.

Art. 14. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to trade a 1941 Ford chassis for a new truck chassis, cost not to exceed \$900.00.

Adjourned at 8.35 P. M.

Attest:

GEORGE A. POOLE, *Town Clerk*

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**Itemized Report of Receipts and
Expenditures**

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE

Taxes, William E. Shaw, Collector

Taxes of prior years paid after abatement	\$64.03	
Levy of 1944, Real Estate	165.58	
Levy of 1945, Real Estate	7,283.04	
Levy of 1945, Personal Property	899.18	
Levy of 1946, Real Estate	45,103.74	
Levy of 1946, Personal Property	9,302.32	
Levy of 1946, Polls	1,280.00	
Levy of 1945, Motor Vehicle Excise	42.00	
Levy of 1946, Motor Vehicle Excise	3,238.92	
Tax Title and Tax Possessions' redemptions	410.57	67,789.38
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Reimbursement for loss of taxes	1,242.47	
M. D. W. S. C., in lieu of taxes	1,161.20	
Income tax	12,307.00	
Corporation tax	5,623.80	20,334.47
Liquor licenses	2,375.00	
Business licenses and permits	120.00	
Court fines	427.45	2,922.45
Grants and Gifts, Commonwealth of Mass.		
Old Age Assistance, Federal Grant	19,580.07	
Administrative on above	667.43	
Aid to Dependent Children, Federal Grant	1,322.56	
Administrative on above	19.56	
Meals Tax, Old Age Assistance	1,871.75	
Vocational Education	1,167.98	
Smith-Hughes Fund	98.77	

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George Deen Fund	188.45	
Massachusetts School Fund	6,400.84	
Superintendent of Schools, Sm. Towns	814.89	
Highways, Chapter 81	24,641.90	
Highway Fund, Chap. 719, Acts 1945	6,140.56	
Inspection of Animals	100.00	63,014.76
County of Hampshire, dog licenses		651.42
		\$154,712.48
COMMERCIAL REVENUE		
Wm. E. Shaw, poll tax demands		23.10
Sundry Persons, instruments of redemption, recording deed fees, etc.		7.00
Rent of Memorial Hall and Driveway		
William Flaherty	3.00	
Girl Scouts	3.00	
American Legion	6.00	
Charles F. Austin	27.00	
Annie R. French	1.50	
Lions Club	1.50	
Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc., driveway	10.00	52.00
Raymond C. Gay, Sealer of Weights and Measure fees		20.89
Central Vermont Railway, forest fires		58.46
County of Hampshire, wildcat bounties		50.00
County of Hampshire, Dog Officer fees		27.00
Road Machinery Earnings		
Town Truck		
Chapter 81	1,214.50	
Chapter 90, Maintenance	212.10	
Chapter 90, Construction	2.00	
Snow Removal	437.50	
Bridges	70.50	
Streets	8.00	1,944.60
Bulldozer		
Frank L. Gold	7.50	
Harold B. Ketchen	10.00	
William Stead	14.00	
Anna C. Engel	15.00	
Stanley Grela	42.00	
Raymond Beaudoin	12.25	

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Stephen Puffer, Jr.	49.00	
Sidney Henrichon	15.75	
Sidney Wheble	15.75	
Carl White	14.00	
George E. Booth	8.75	
Mike Boyko	38.50	
Chapter 81	1,147.50	
Chapter 90, Construction	68.25	
Health Department	50.00	1,508.25
Diesel, snow removal		211.00
Tractor Plow, snow removal		265.50
Loader, Chapter 81		367.25
Compressor, Chapter 90		25.00
Small Truck and Mower, Chapter 81		57.00
Tractor, Chapter 81		568.75
Sander and Spreader		
Chapter 81	84.25	
Town of Pelham	4.00	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	19.60	107.85
Total Earned by Town-owned Machinery		\$5,055.20
Reimbursements, Charities		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Public Welfare	201.00	
Aid to Dependent Children	923.32	
Old Age Assistance	23,659.11	24,783.43
Other Cities and Towns, O. A. A.		
Town of Ludlow	460.49	
Town of Amherst	307.76	
City of Northampton	106.26	
City of Chicopee	63.88	
City of Springfield	97.08	
Town of South Hadley	215.01	1,250.48
Individuals, Old Age Assistance		10.00
Commonwealth of Mass., Veterans' Aid		150.00
Town of Pelham, tuition	125.00	
City of Boston, tuition	125.79	250.79
Frederick E. Mailloux, sale of school house		90.00
Dr. Westwell, sale of food, July 4th celebration		4.70
Farmers' and Mechanics' Club, use of common		100.00

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		\$31,933.05
INTEREST		
First National Bank of Amherst		
Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	140.00	
Amherst Savings Bank		
Cemetery Perpetual Care funds, 1945-46	968.29	
Calvin Bridgman Library Fund	210.00	
Calvin Bridgman High School Fund	375.20	
George D. Longley School Music Fund	151.67	
Whiting Street Fund	55.00	
U. S. Treasury		
Income Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	175.00	
William E. Shaw, Collector, Taxes		
Levy of 1944	15.22	
Levy of 1945	198.30	
Levy of 1946	35.62	
Polls and Motor Vehicle Excise	5.59	
Tax Titles	86.68	
Taxes paid after abatement	7.80	2,424.37
AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT		
George A. Poole, Town Clerk, dog licenses		1,266.40
Sundry Persons, Withholding Tax		5,195.37
Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequest		
Harry P. Jackson, Lot No. 339, Mt. Hope		75.00
First National Bank of Amherst		
Sale of notes, Post-War Rehabilitation Fund		20,000.00
		\$26,536.77
REFUNDS		
Election and Registration	6.00	
Road Machinery	26.57	
Poll Tax—refund given in error, returned	2.00	
Whiting Street Fund Income	6.00	
Old Age Assistance	83.82	
Honor Roll	2.52	126.91
Total receipts for year ending Dec. 31, 1946		\$215,733.58
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1946		58,654.96
		\$274,388.54

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EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen

Salaries

Charles F. Austin, chairman	\$300.00	
Francis M. Austin	200.00	
Marjorie G. Tilton	200.00	\$700.00

Expenses

Hampshire Co. Selectmen's Assn., dues	12.00	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., license b'anks	1.44	
Commissioner of Public Safety, licenses	.70	
Lewis H. Blackmer, license adv.	.75	
Albert G. Markham, posting warrants	15.00	
D. Donald Hazen, posting warrants	15.00	
Charles F. Austin, expenses	30.00	
Marjorie G. Tilton, expenses	30.00	104.89
		\$804.89

Town Accountant

Ella A. Stebbins, salary	400.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, ledger	3.30	
Postage	2.00	405.30

Treasurer

William E. Shaw, salary		525.00
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Expenses

The Employers Liability Assur. Corp.	51.50	
Mass. Collectors' & Treas. Assn., dues	1.00	
The Employers' Fire Ins. Co., registered mail insurance	10.00	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., supplies	8.35	
Johnson's Bookstore, supplies	11.25	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	26.42	
The Todd Sales Co., Inc., repairs check-writer	11.75	
The First Nat'l Bank of Amherst, rent safe deposit box	3.60	
Adding machine ribbon	1.13	
Pay't to Raymond A. Warner, affidavit	3.60	
Postage	70.00	198.60

\$723.60

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Tax Collector

William E. Shaw, salary		500.00
Expenses		
Mass. Collectors' & Treas. Assn., dues	1.00	
The Employers' Liability Assur. Corp.	72.00	
Helen Allen, clerical work	21.60	
The R. H. Smith Mfg. Co., stamp	2.63	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	51.19	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc.	6.57	
Postage	80.00	234.99
		\$734.99

Assessors

Salaries		
Guy C. Allen	200.00	
Frederick E. Lincoln	200.00	
Edward T. Parsons	200.00	600.00
Expenses		
Association of Mass. Assessors, dues	6.00	
Raymond A. Warner, transfers	24.60	
The Stoneham Independent, excise cards	1.00	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., supplies	24.50	
Helen M. Allen, clerk	109.80	
Ruthella Tucker, clerical work	2.00	
May Rose Dewey, clerical work	2.40	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	3.62	
Edward T. Parsons, expenses	1.00	
Guy C. Allen, expenses	25.06	199.98
		\$799.98

Law

Jesse A. G. Andre, Attorney	25.00	
Morse & Morse, Attorneys	19.10	44.10

Town Clerk

George A. Poole, salary	300.00	
Expenses		
Mass. Town Clerks' Assn., dues	3.00	
Royal Typewriter Co., Inc.	18.50	
George A. Poole, expenses convention	5.00	
George A. Poole, recording fees	83.00	

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Johnson's Bookstore, supplies	14.45	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	12.00	
Postage	12.00	447.95
Election and Registration		
Registrars		
Thomas A. Austin	49.50	
Roy G. Shaw	40.00	
Raymond T. Beaudoin, registrar and use of car	53.00	
George A. Poole	49.50	192.00
Election Officers, Sundry Persons		298.47
Expenses		
Johnson's Bookstore, supplies	10.10	
E. Clifton Witt, janitor	4.00	
George Dewey, janitor	3.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	65.00	
George A. Poole, postage	1.50	
Florence B. Jackson, Home Economics Dept., lunches for election officers	29.10	112.70
Street Listing		
Minnie A. Flaherty	50.00	
Emma D. Loftus	50.00	
Gladys Ayers	50.00	
Ruthella Tucker, typing	25.00	175.00
		\$778.17
AMERICAN LEGION HEADQUARTERS		
A. H. Phillips, rent	150.00	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	21.48	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	54.55	
M. C. Baggs, repairs	19.95	
H. E. Kimball & Sons, repairs and installa- tion	141.42	387.40
TOWN HALL		
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	128.20	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	13.00	141.20
RENOVATION OLD TOWN HALL		
M. C. Baggs	806.89	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	189.33	
Charles H. Sanford	174.00	

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Joseph Kempkes	22.50	
Joseph Pempkes, Jr.	18.00	
D. Donald Hazen	4.00	
The Charles C. Lewis Co.	11.80	
J. Russell & Co.	18.69	
Railway Express Agency	.57	1,245.78
THE LAWRENCE MEMORIAL HALL		
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	55.64	
Repairs		
The Ryther & Warren Co.	17.65	
Charles H. Sanford	18.00	
H. E. Sessions	10.00	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	32.50	133.79
POLICE		
Services as Officer		
Albert G. Markham	377.41	
Louis A. Shumway	9.00	
William H. Snow	38.62	
D. Donald Hazen	70.30	
Herbert Story, Jr.	8.00	
Emma D. Loftus	20.55	
Frank L. Gold	43.05	
Fanny G. Morey	15.65	
Harlan Davis, Dog Officer	30.00	612.58
All Other		
City of Northampton, services Police Dept.	5.00	
Edward Schmidt, photos	7.50	
James L. Collard, M. D.	10.00	
Clarence Robinson, Field Driver	7.50	
Pernette Bracey, cleaning jail	12.00	
James F. Kelleher, speed signs	24.00	
Commonwealth of Mass., signs	18.50	
Railway Express Agency	1.13	85.63
		\$698.21
FIRE DEPARTMENT		
Milton C. Baggs, Fire Chief, salary		200.00
Engine House Expense		
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	98.69	

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Central Mass. Electric Co., light & power	83.28	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	80.15	262.12
Sundry Persons, services at fires		79.50 -
Equipment and Repairs		
Harold B. Ketchen	2.75	
Holly Auto Supply	4.00	
American LaFrance Foamite Corp.	142.41	
J. Raymond Gould	39.13	
Lewis E. Squires	2.00	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	1.80	
Kenneth F. Bristol	9.95	
Webster's Filling Station	12.00	
Mill Valley Splicing Shop	7.00	221.04
Building Repairs		
Paul Barrett	10.50	
Kenneth F. Bristol	78.00	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	3.45	
Joseph J. Kempkes	11.25	
Joseph J. Kempkes, Jr.	11.25	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	2.55	117.00
Gas, Oilzum, Grease, etc.		
Ada E. Davis	68.48	
J. Raymond Gould	11.90	
Lewis E. Squires	1.50	81.88
All Other		
Lewis H. Blackmer, oil and range burner permits	9.99	
Daniel F. Waters Co., steel file, indexes	5.08	
Harold B. Ketchen, inspections	4.00	19.07
		\$980.61
HYDRANTS		
Belchertown Water District		1,500.00
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES		
Raymond C. Gay, salary	60.00	
Robinson Seal Co., Inc., supplies	3.96	
H. E. Kimball & Sons, paint and brush	1.28	
T. J. Murray, 3 weights	14.00	79.24

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GYPSY MOTH WORK

Labor Payrolls		
Harlan Davis, superintendent	214.39	
Lewis Lamson	210.02	
David Farley	87.50	
Frances Davis, use of car and truck	88.00	599.91

TREE WARDEN

Labor		
Harold Cook	50.61	
Allie Atkins	38.26	
Carl Davis	3.00	
W. Bock	3.00	
Edward Schmidt	15.00	
Use of Schmidt truck	5.00	114.87

FOREST FIRES

Sundry Persons, services at fires	338.98	
M. C. Baggs, issuing fire permits	30.00	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	41.80	410.78

HEALTH

Dr. F. M. Austin, Inspector of Animals		200.00
C. H. Egleston, inspection meat		140.00
Hampshire County Sanatorium		291.43
James L. Collard, M. D.		3.00
Care of Dump		
Harold Cook, labor	15.03	
Earl Fay, labor	3.60	
Town Bulldozer	50.00	68.63
The R. H. Smith Mfg. Co., stamps		4.02
Roy G. Shaw, death returns		3.75
George A. Poole, burial permits		15.00

\$725.83

HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 81

Labor Payrolls		9,896.96
Trucks, Sundry Persons		5,886.75
Town Equipment		
Trucks	1,259.50	
Bulldozer	1,147.50	
Loader	367.25	

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Tractor	568.75	
Mower	12.00	
Sander and Spreader	84.25	3,439.25
Stephen Puffer, shovel and moving same		1,457.25
Material		
New England Metal Culvert Co.	369.67	
The Lake Asphalt and Petroleum Com-		
pany of Massachusetts	1,339.93	
The Barrett Division	4,146.39	
Marjorie Tilton, gravel	517.00	
W. Zabek Sand & Gravel Co.	241.73	6,614.72
		\$27,294.93
HIGHWAYS—Chapter 90—Maintenance		
Labor Payrolls		876.45
Town Trucks		212.10
Material		
The Lane Construction Corp.,		
Colprovia	303.60	
John S. Lane & Son, trap rock	107.92	411.52
		\$1,500.07
HIGHWAYS—Chapter 90—Construction (Three Rivers Road)		
Labor Payrolls		3,866.95
Trucks, Sundry Persons		2,903.50
Town Equipment		
Bulldozer	68.25	
Compressor	25.00	
Truck	2.00	95.25
Out-of-Town Equipment		
Clarke Scott, Bock Hoe	144.00	
Warner Bros., Bock Hoe	396.00	
Warner Bros., shovel	1,332.00	
W. L. Moulton, bulldozer	935.00	2,807.00
Material		
Lynch Bros. Brick Co.	168.30	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	2,652.37	
J. Russell & Co.	13.08	
T. V. Pratt	125.80	
State Prison	183.05	

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Northampton and Boston Express Service	18.75	
E. F. Shumway	7.00	
W. Zabek Sand & Gravel Co.	9.52	
The Charles C. Lewis Co.	20.99	
Joseph Austin, dynamite and blasting	75.00	
Construction Service Co.	286.00	
R. C. Gay, express	2.04	
Rudolph Smola	20.00	
J. B. Sibley & Son	142.50	
Peter Klapatowski, gravel	450.00	
Edward H. Lapolice, oil and caring for lights	145.40	4,319.80
		\$13,992.50
HIGHWAYS—Streets		
Labor Payrolls		19.40
Town Truck		8.00
Material		
The Ryther & Warren Co.	84.25	
Jackson's Store	1.50	
Hopkins' Store	4.50	
E. F. Shumway	1.30	91.55
		\$118.95
HIGHWAYS—Bridges		
Labor Payrolls		312.74
Town Truck		70.50
Stephen Puffer, shovel		22.00
W. D. Cows & Co., lumber		181.43
		\$586.67
HIGHWAYS—Snow Removal		
Labor Payrolls	1,264.56	
Truck Hire	1,586.16	
Granby Tractor	12.50	
Plowing sidewalks	10.25	
Town Truck	437.50	
Town Diesel	180.00	
Town Tractor Plow	251.50	
Commonwealth of Mass., 1944-1945 sea-		

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son	654.15	
Commonwealth of Mass., 1945-1946 sea-		
son	450.78	
The Chemical Corp., rock salt	70.50	
Anna Skribiski, sand	4.00	4,921.90
ROAD MACHINERY EXPENSE ACCOUNT		
Gas, Oil, Grease, etc., sundry persons		935.58
Repairs, sundry persons		3,452.63
All Other		
Central Mass. Electric Co.	17.91	
Belchertown Water District	4.05	
Registrations	8.00	
Inspections	1.00	30.96
		\$4,419.17
STREET LIGHTING		
Central Mass. Electric Co.		1,959.96
PUBLIC WELFARE		
Administrative		
Salaries of Clerk		
Ruthella M. Tucker	522.50	
Lena N. Wilson	140.44	662.94
Expenses—Office		
Vernon Lodge Building Assn., rent	90.00	
Central Mass. Electric Co., light	8.00	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	27.60	
Postage, box rent	20.70	
Supplies	50.59	196.89
Expenses—Clerk		
Ruthella Tucker, travel	1.75	
Lena Wilson, travel	1.25	
Conference expenses	7.90	
Mass. Conference Social Workers, an-		
nual dues	2.00	
Membership in Western Massachusetts		
Public Welfare Assn.	1.00	13.90
Social Service Index		10.50
		\$884.23

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Cash Aid, Sundry Persons		600.25
Board and Care, Sundry Persons		104.00
Groceries and Provisions		
Stanley Sowa	106.00	
A. H. Phillips, Inc.	58.34	164.34
Rent, Sundry Persons		64.00
Medicine and Medical Attendance		
Holyoke Hospital	200.00	
Mary Lane Hospital	42.99	
Surgical Supply	5.05	
Belchertown Pharmacy	23.09	
Minnie M. Davis, R. N., trip to Boston	8.00	
James L. Collard, M. D.	258.00	537.13
State Institution		365.00
Payments for clothing		12.56
All Other		
Roy G. Shaw, burials	205.00	
Cemetery Commissioners, opening grave	20.00	
Lyndon I. Wilson, crutches	2.50	
Underwood Corporation, adding machine	150.00	
Sundry Persons, driving ambulance	28.91	
Carfare to Boston	12.00	418.41
		\$3,149.92
 RELIEF FROM CHARITY FUNDS		
Whiting Street Fund		61.00
 VETERANS' AID		
Cash Payments, Military Aid	300.00	
Cash Payments, Soldiers' Relief	100.00	
William J. Hogan, M. D., medical attendance	165.00	
Belchertown Pharmacy, medicine	17.37	
Nonotuck Jewelry Co., glasses	14.00	
Henry A. Tadgell, M. D., postage	10.41	606.78
 OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—Federal Grants		
Cash aid, Sundry Persons		19,580.07

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O. A. A.—ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE—Federal grants

Salaries		
Ruthella M. Tucker	380.00	
Lena N. Wilson	20.00	400.00
Expenses		
Vernon Lodge Building Assn., Inc., rent	60.00	
New England Tel. & Tel., telephone	34.17	
Postage	45.39	
Supplies	87.51	
Central Mass. Electric Co.	5.70	
Ruthella Tucker, travel expense	3.65	236.42
		\$636.42

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—TOWN APPROPRIATION

Cash Aid, Sundry Persons	31,524.32	
Indirect Aid, Sundry Persons	2,078.61	33,602.93
Aid by Other Cities and Towns		
Town of Ware	360.90	
City of Springfield	103.20	
Town of Ludlow	132.31	
Town of Palmer	92.97	689.38

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE

Ruthella Tucker, salary	112.50	
Vernon Lodge Building Assn., Inc., rent	30.00	
New England Tel. & Tel., telephone	10.24	
Postage and Box Rent	4.76	
Supplies	.90	
Conference expenses and registration	24.36	
Travel expense	1.55	184.31

\$34,476.62

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

From Federal Grants		
Cash Aid, Sundry Persons	1,322.56	
Lena N. Wilson, salary	19.56	1,342.12
From Town Appropriation		
Cash Aid, Sundry Persons		2,873.33

\$4,215.45

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SCHOOLS

Administration

School Committee

Dr. Arthur E. Westwell, salary	50.00	
Fanny G. Morey, salary	40.00	
George A. Poole, salary	40.00	130.00

School Superintendent

M. Leroy Greenfield, salary	1,728.26	
M. Leroy Greenfield, car allowance	262.50	
M. Leroy Greenfield, expenses	90.69	2,081.45

Elementary Supervisor

Carl J. Peterson, salary	1,806.27	
Carl J. Peterson, car allowance	200.00	
Carl J. Peterson, telephone and postage	2.75	2,009.02

Rose May Dewey, clerical work		273.75
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Emma D. Loftus, truant officer		47.68
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New England Tel. & Tel., telephone		206.40
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Other General Expense

The N. E. Assn. of Colleges, dues	5.00	
Pro Merito Society, dues	1.00	
Wm. E. Shaw, insurance movie projector	14.42	
B. & M. R. R., freight	.55	
R. C. Gay, trucking	1.25	
Carl J. Peterson, paid for trucking	1.00	23.22

Salaries of Teachers and Substitutes

Bernadette Bowler	1,763.25
Charlotte Cronin	937.50
Osborne Davis	2,262.42
Eleanor Fitzgerald	1,799.97
Alice Flaherty	1,762.50
Mary Guinee	937.50
Guy E. Harrington	2,812.50
Vera Harrington	1,837.50
Francis Hazeltine	1,125.00
Florence B. Jackson	635.55
John Laramie	862.47
Mary D. Laramie	712.44
Marguerite Meehan	675.00
Gladys Midura	1,062.45

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Louise Mullen	804.84	
Irene B. Orlando	1,762.50	
Madeleine Orlando	1,762.50	
Sophia M. Pero	1,962.42	
Kathleen Roy	712.44	
Dorothy Savoit	1,031.25	
Marion K. Shaw	1,762.50	
Nellie Shea	1,792.50	
Anna V. Sullivan	712.44	
Mildred Sullivan	1,625.00	
Ada Tague	1,845.77	
Blanche Austin	173.00	
Mildred Cole	301.00	
Ruby Dickinson	7.00	
Elwin Doubleday	35.00	
Violet Hussey	14.00	
Claire Lamoureux	5.00	
Emma Loftus	58.50	
Marie Snell	5.00	
Lucy H. Sullivan	203.00	
Mary Sullivan	70.00	
Barbara Terry	28.00	
Florence Utley	182.00	
Catherine M. Landers, music supervisor	200.00	
Phyllis Smith, music supervisor	375.00	36,616.71
Expenses of Teachers		
Guy E. Harrington	28.05	
Vera Harrington	9.00	
Alice Flaherty	9.00	
Marion Shaw	9.00	
Eleanor Fitzgerald	9.00	64.05
Fuel and Light		
Central Mass. Electric Co.	395.94	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne	1,896.20	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	58.25	
T. V. Pratt	93.00	
George Shea	29.00	2,472.39
Books and Supplies, sundry persons		837.45
Janitors and Cleaning		
E. Clifton Witt	734.28	
John J. Fairchild	213.32	

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Osborne Davis	160.00	
George M. Dewey	573.33	
Susan Braden	2.00	
Robert Fay	80.00	
Peter Whittaker	200.00	
Roger Caron	50.00	2,012.93
Janitors' and Toilet Room Supplies		
Sundry Persons		354.28
Transportation		
Lafayette Ayers	1,240.00	
Lincoln Cook	1,420.00	
Raymond Gay	2,925.00	
D. Donald Hazen	1,300.00	
Everett Howard	1,100.00	
William Squires	2,000.00	
Mrs. Godfrey Wenzel	45.00	10,030.00
Repairs on Buildings and Care of Grounds		
Central Mass. Electric Co.	8.17	
Jackson's Store	2.91	
The Roland T. Oakes Co.	9.05	
J. B. Sibley & Son	17.25	
Collins Plumbing Supply Co.	9.08	
R. G. Harrington, Inc.	12.00	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	37.00	
Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc.	1.25	
M. C. Baggs	53.50	
Charles H. Sanford	215.75	
Du-Ev Products Co., Inc.	23.52	
Brulin & Co.	59.00	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	3.19	
Ira Squires	55.00	
George Clifford	20.00	
Osborne Davis	65.00	
Detroit Surfacing Machine Co.	2.35	594.02
Other Repairs and Replacements		
Underwood Corp.	10.22	
Girard Typewriter Co.	21.50	
Springfield Office Supply Co.	4.35	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	1.10	37.17
Water		

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Bondsville Water Co.	32.00	192.93
Graduation Expenses		
W. M. Welch Mfg. Co.	25.31	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	16.75	42.06
Household Arts Department		
Supplies		
Belchertown Farms	4.26	
Belchertown Pharmacy	1.10	
A. H. Phillips, Inc.	19.24	
First National Store	2.48	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	.98	
Frank L. Towne	8.42	
Florence Jackson	13.83	
Delmar Publishing Co.	2.47	
Cascade Paper Co.	8.65	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	13.04	
Rand McNally & Co.	9.82	84.29
Electricity, Central Mass. Electric Co.		80.00
Repairs		
H. E. Kimball & Sons	114.86	
Singer Sewing Machine Co.	49.87	164.73
Florence Utley, Agent, cleaning		5.50
		\$334.52
Health		
School Physician, Dr. James L. Collard	200.00	
School Nurse, Minnie Davis, salary	838.16	
School Nurse, car allowance	270.00	
Belchertown Pharmacy, supplies	9.91	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	4.90	1,322.97
Total expenditures for schools, town appropriation		\$59,683.00
SCHOOLS—FROM OTHER FUNDS		
Smith-Hughes Fund		
Florence B. Jackson, salary		124.42
George Deen Fund		
Louise Mullen, salary		257.61
George Longley School Music Fund		
John T. Roy Co.	4.70	
Catherine Landers, salary	42.50	47.20

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Calvin Bridgman High School Fund		
Arthur E. Burke	15.00	
Sundry Persons, books and supplies	350.20	365.20
Total expended from special school funds		\$794.43
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION		
City of Chicopee	669.63	
City of Holyoke	194.20	
City of Springfield	581.29	
Smith's Agricultural School	15.80	1,460.92
LAWRENCE PARSONS RECREATION FIELD		
Labor		
Harlan Davis, Caretaker	129.80	
Lewis Lamson	106.57	
David Farley	54.06	
George Lofland	6.00	296.43
Harlan Davis, use of truck		12.50
Squires' Garage, mowing		3.50
Louis Shumway, sharpening and adjusting mower		4.00
Sundry persons, putting clay on infield		12.56
M. C. Baggs, repairs drinking fountain		3.00
H. E. Sessions, wiring		6.00
Squires' Garage, repairs power mower		2.50
Belchertown Motor Sales, repairs power mower		.92
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights		5.00
		\$346.41
CEMETERIES		
Labor		
Charles F. Austin	20.00	
Fred F. Dewey	73.15	
Gayle Stevens	221.30	
Harry E. Bishop	223.60	
Everett Benoit, mowing	19.50	
Nattie Dudek, mowing	8.00	
Fred E. Lincoln, plowing snow	5.00	570.55
Weidenmiller & Magovern Co., grass seed, shears		21.35
Belchertown Water District, water		8.10
		\$600.00

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SOLDIERS' GRAVES

Labor

Charles F. Austin	7.00	
Harry E. Bishop	15.94	
Fred F. Dewey	24.25	
Gayle Stevens	27.81	75.00

UNCLASSIFIED

Town Reports

Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	312.50	
Ella A. Stebbins, preparing copy	60.00	372.50
Soldiers' Rehabilitation		
Dr. Henry A. Tadgell, postage		4.58
Clarence Robinson, field driver		10.00
Damages to Persons and Property		
William N. Webster, tire for A. Ross		70.00
Russell Snow, survey and plan for Town Park		48.75
William E. Shaw, paid for recording deed		3.00
Guy C. Allen, services as auctioneer		5.00

\$513.83

JULY FOURTH CELEBRATION

Dinner Expenses

Anderson's Turkey Farm	295.63	
Thorndike Market	30.83	
A. H. Phillips, Inc.	98.04	
H. F. Peck, to H. G. Sears	12.15	
Rev. Joseph T. Collins, candy	5.19	
LeGrand Ice Co., ice and ice cubes	4.55	
Belchertown Farms	20.54	466.93

Band Concert and Parade

Michael Hurley, musicians	105.00	
Belchertown Pharmacy, soda, etc.	99.06	204.06

Pictures

Al Warka's Camera Shop, color film	17.50	
Schmidt Photo Service	30.00	47.50

Souvenirs and Plaques

Jackson's Store, cigarette lighters	248.40	
W. J. Dunham Sales Dev. Service	52.10	300.50

Postage, Programs, etc.

Dr. A. E. Westwell, postage	14.68	
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Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	39.93	
H. A. Hopkins' Store, ribbon for badges	1.00	
Virginia Story, clerical work	8.25	
Catherine French, clerical work	3.00	66.86
		\$1,085.85
HONOR ROLL		
New England Advertising		5.04
MEMORIAL DAY		
Kelly, The Florist	11.00	
Belchertown Pharmacy	6.00	
First National Stores	2.68	
A. H. Phillips, Inc.	.31	
Aubrey D. Lapolice	2.50	
Frederick D. Farley	1.95	24.44
ARMISTICE DAY		
Kelly, The Florist		36.75
PUBLIC DUMP		
Thomas and Clara Austin		50.00
CARE OF TOWN CLOCK		
Lyman D. Brown	6.00	
George B. Wyman	69.00	75.00
PURCHASE OF TOWN PARK		
Morse & Morse, Attys.		1,250.00
PURCHASE OF GARAGE		
Harold B. Ketchen		3,600.00
CARE OF COMMON		
Labor		
Harlan Davis	26.60	
Lewis Lamson	12.50	
David Farley	34.69	
George Lofland	9.00	82.79
Harlan Davis, use of truck		3.25
Louis A. Shumway, sharpening lawn mowers		10.50
H. E. Kimball & Sons, battery		2.25
Squires' Garage, repairs lawn mower		.75
		\$99.54

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PHOTOSTATS OF VETERANS' DISCHARGES

Schmidt Photo Service		418.50
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PLANS FOR GRADE SCHOOL ADDITION

William G. Upham		500.00
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INSURANCE

Bell & Hudson Insurance Agency, Inc.	972.31	
Anna R. Gold	107.37	
Star Insurance Co. of America	96.54	
The Employers' Liability Assur. Corp.	149.00	
The Employers' Fire Insurance Co.	48.40	
Merchants Mutual Casualty Co.	480.78	1,854.40

SEWERAGE SYSTEM

Labor		
William Crowley	129.00	
Pernett Bracey	6.00	
Frank P. Norris	6.00	141.00
Repairs		
M. C. Baggs	98.85	
Harold B. Ketchen	5.00	103.85
		\$244.85

UNPAID BILLS OF 1945

Thomas E. Hanifin, bridges	183.65	
Removal of Lock-up		
The Ryther & Warren Co.,	140.12	
Collins Electric Co.	53.68	377.45

INTEREST

First National Bank of Amherst		
U. S. Treasury certificates		14.28

AGENCY

Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
State Tax	1,400.00	
State Parks and Reservations	174.72	
Auditing Municipal Accounts	4.26	1,578.98
County of Hampshire		
County Tax	6,493.75	
Dog Licenses	888.40	7,382.15

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Withholding Tax		
Collector of Internal Revenue	1,826.69	
First National Bank of Amherst	3,581.31	5,408.00
Dog Officer's Fees		
Harlan B. Davis, Dog Officer		48.00
Wildcat Bounties		
Harold Moore	40.00	
Donald F. Crafts	10.00	50.00
TRUST		
Cemetery Perpetual Care		
Labor		
Gayle Stevens	67.81	
Harry E. Bishop	27.50	
Charles F. Austin	72.96	
Fred F. Dewey	266.35	434.62
INVESTMENT		
Amherst Savings Bank, Cemetery Perpetual		
Care bequest	75.00	
Amherst Savings Bank, Post War Rehabili-		
tation Fund	175.00	
The First National Bank of Amherst, U. S.		
Treasury Notes	20,000.00	20,250.00
REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS		
Clapp Memorial Library, Calvin Bridgman		
Library Fund, income	210.00	
Clapp Memorial Library, dog license		
fund	651.42	
Sundry Persons, Motor Vehicle Excise taxes	15.02	
Sundry Persons, Poll Taxes, 1946	28.00	904.44
Total expenditures for the year ending Dec. 31, 1946	\$238,442.89	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1946		35,945.65
		\$274,388.54

Belchertown, Mass., January 28, 1947

I hereby certify the foregoing information to be complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Ella A. Stebbins

Table listing the names of those who have done work on the highways, and the amounts received individually for labor and truck hire

Name	Chapter 81		Chapter 90—Const.		Chapter 90		Snow Removal		Streets		Bridges		Totals
	Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	
Aldrich William	191 80	.....	\$219.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$7.50	.....	\$226.50
Anderson Kristian	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.78	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 58
Antonovitch John	.....	.....	456 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	456 00
Austin Joseph	.....	.....	12 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	32 50
Ayers Fay	.....	.....	64.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	64 50
Barnes Philip	142 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	142 50
Bigos John	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 40
Brown Albert	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 40
Brown Robert	936.07	.....	2.00	.....	130.38	.....	65.50	.....	.....	.....	40.22	.....	1,174 17
Cartier Armand	754.02	.....	2.00	.....	122.18	.....	231.52	.....	5 40	.....	35 45	.....	1,150 57
Chadbourne Lloyd	.....	906.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	906.25
Conkey Edward	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.05
Cook Harold	769.15	.....	92.75	.....	23.04	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 36	.....	900.30
Crisafulli A.	.....	.....	146.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	146 00
Davis George	8.61	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 61
Dickinson H. (sidew'lks)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.00
Dubuque Joseph	394.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.10	.....	.....	.....	2.10	.....	404.70
Fay Earl	23.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	164.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	187.80
Garnis John	594.09	.....	.....	.....	132.02	.....	22.14	.....	.....	.....	4 92	.....	753 17
Gill Charles	608.11	.....	.....	.....	51 66	.....	29 14	.....	.....	.....	5 85	.....	694 76
Harrington Stanford	157.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	157 50
Hazen D. Donald	.....	1,154.75	17.00	621.00	.....	.....	.....	7.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,800.15

Name	Chapter 81		Chapter 90—Const.		Chapter 90		Snow Removal		Streets		Bridges		Totals
	Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	
Hennemann Richard	48.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11.40	.....	.....	.....	2.25	.....	62.40
Jenks Kenneth	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	568.63	.....	.....	8.00	.....	576.63
Johnson Jay L.	.....	.....	190.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	190.00
Joyal Arthur	788.73	.....	.....	.....	74.62	.....	41.98	.....	.....	.....	13.17	.....	918.50
Keyes John	.....	.....	460.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	460.00
Kimball Channing	36.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36.00
King Henry	185.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	185.25
Kissell Joseph	109.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	109.50
Kulig Joseph	.....	.....	524.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	524.00
Kulig Stanley	184.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.10	.....	.....	.....	1.35	.....	193.50
Lincoln Fred	.....	1,210.00	162.40	765.50	.....	.....	.....	498.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,636.15
Moran John	.....	.....	.....	72.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	72.00
Morey Donald	.....	.....	52.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	52.00
Nash Frank W.	.....	.....	10.80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.80
Norman Richard	30.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30.00
Pierce Gordon	92.63	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	92.63
Plant Everett	.....	.....	134.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	134.00
Poland William	.....	.....	.....	120.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	120.00
Pratt Theron	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00
Rhodes Clinton	.....	300.00	17.00	423.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	740.00
Rhodes Kenneth	36.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36.00
Robertson Frank	.....	44.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	44.00
Ross Alexander	.....	922.50	.....	120.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,042.50
Ross George	156.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.50	.....	157.50

Sanford Charles H.	.....	258.00	.....	.....	.....	10.80	.....	.....	7.50	265.50
Sapouckey Peter,	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.05	.....	.....	.....	23.30
Schmidt Edward	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.05
Scott Richard	.....	24.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	24.00
Sears Andrew J.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.40	.....	.....	.....	5.40
Sears Andrew T.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.40	.....	.....	.....	5.40
Shea Daniel	234.11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.28	237.39
Shumway E. F.	1,053.75	804.00	782.00	.....	.....	.....	450.63	.....	.....	3,090.38
Skorupski Peter	263.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	263.00
Smigiel Joseph	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.05	.....	.....	.....	4.05
Smigiel Peter	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.05	.....	.....	.....	4.05
Smith Claude (s. walks)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.25	.....	.....	.....	5.25
Smola Rudolph	29.25	32.50	.....	.....	.....	2.70	61.25	.....	.....	125.70
Smola Victor	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4.05	.....	.....	.....	4.05
Snow William	250.96	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3.00	253.96
Stone Milton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.03	.....	.....	.....	2.03
Stone Robert	992.40	2.00	.....	150.45	.....	270.89	.....	6.00	63.61	1,485.35
Sullivan Joseph	.....	53.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	53.00
Tadgell Allen	156.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	156.75
Terry Donald	.....	56.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56.00
Wegiel Albert	.....	108.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	108.00
Weston Donald	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	223.88
Wezniak George	223.88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	273.75
Witt Henry H.	273.75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,079.81
Witt Henry H.	1,465.20	.....	.....	192.10	.....	336.83	.....	8.00	77.68	24.00
Wonsik Richard	24.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.40
Zitka George						5.40				
	\$9,896.96	\$5,886.75	\$3,866.95	\$2,903.50	\$876.45	\$1,274.81	\$1,598.66	\$19.40	\$312.74	\$26,636.22

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Town Warrant

FEB. 3 & 10, 1947

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

To any of the constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said County, GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places in said Belchertown, designated by the Selectmen, to wit:

IN PRECINCT A, at Lawrence Memorial Hall in Jabish Street.

IN PRECINCT B, at the Franklin School Building in Franklin Street in South Belchertown, on Monday, the third day of February, A. D. 1947 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to precinct officers of the several polling precincts of said Town for the following officers, to wit: a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, five Constables, a Tree Warden, each for one year; one School Committee Member for three years, one Assessor for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, and one Cemetery Commissioner for two years.

The polls will be open at nine o'clock in the forenoon and closed at 6 o'clock p. m.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Lawrence Memorial Hall in said Belchertown, on Monday, the tenth day of February, A. D. 1947, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To choose the following named officers by nomina-

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tion: two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year; one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 2. To hear the reports of the officers of the town and of any committees that may have been appointed by the town and act thereon.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses listed in the Finance Committee report for the current financial year and act thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1947, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the school committee for the year ensuing, and act thereon.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to allow the selectmen to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1947, as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.00, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for construction on Three Rivers Road under Chapter 90 Highways, in conjunction with State and County al-

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lotments, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to allow the cemetery commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemetery at a rate not to exceed $62\frac{1}{2}$ cents per hour for the year 1947, as provided for in the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the care and mowing of the common, the amount to be expended under the direction of the Park Association, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell to Ethan H. Holden that part of the abandoned Amherst Road, which adjoins the property now owned by him, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$114.00 to reimburse Harlan B. Davis for medical and hospital expenses incurred as a result of a dog bite, which he sustained on June 10, 1945, while engaged in the performance of his duties as dog officer of the Town of Belchertown, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the town will appropriate from Road Machinery Earnings Reserve a sum of money for the purchase of a truck or trucks for use on the town highways.

Art. 15. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$1,200.00 and to issue a note or notes of the Town therefor, payable in not more than five years from date of issue; this debt to be incurred for the purchase of certain road machinery.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in making photostats of discharges of returning veterans for our Veterans' file, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a street light on Sargent Street oppo-

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site the residence of Raymond Burke, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate sufficient money to install a street light on Jackson Street between the house occupied by Robert Camp and the last light near the Central Vermont Railroad crossing, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to allow residents of the Town of Belchertown to water trap, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 20. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for repairs at Clapp Memorial Library, or take any other action relative thereto.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to authorize the use of a sum not to exceed \$25,000, from the Surplus Revenue to meet the shares of the State and County allotments on highway repairs and maintenance under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Art. 22. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at MacMillan's Gas Station, so called, on the Amherst road, and one at Keyes' Hotel, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the town clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-fifth day of January, A. D. 1947.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
MARJORIE G. TILTON

Selectmen of Belchertown

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Report of Finance Committee

Account	Appropriations	Expended	Recommended
	1946	1946	1947
Selectmen	\$800.00	\$804.89	Chairman \$300.00 Other mem. 400.00 Expenses 100.00
Town Accountant	425.00	405.30	Salary 400.00 Expenses 25.00
Treasurer	690.00	723.60	Salary 525.00 Expenses 165.00
Tax Collector	800.00	734.99	Salary 500.00 Expenses 300.00
Assessors	800.00	799.98	Salary 700.00 Expenses 200.00
Town Clerk	450.00	447.95	Salary 300.00 Expenses 150.00
Certification of Notes	20.00		20.00
Law	100.00	44.10	100.00
Election and Registration	779.17	778.17	500.00
Town Hall	250.00	141.20	600.00
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00	133.79	300.00
American Legion Hdq.	400.00	387.40	400.00
Police	531.63	698.21	700.00
Fire Department	1,300.00	980.61	1,300.00
Forest Fires	1,100.00	410.78	1,100.00
Hydrant Service	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00	599.91	600.00
Tree Warden	200.00	114.87	200.00
Sealer Weights and Measures	75.00	79.24	75.00
Health	800.00	725.83	800.00

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Account	Appropriations 1946	Expended 1946	Recommended 1947
Highways—Chapter 81	4,120.00	27,294.93	4,120.00
Highways—Chapter 90	500.00	1,500.07	500.00
Highways—Snow Removal	5,000.00	4,921.90	5,000.00
Highways—Streets	122.60	118.95	100.00
Highways—Bridges	600.00	586.67	600.00
Street Lights	2,000.00	1,959.96	2,000.00
Public Welfare	4,000.00	3,149.92	4,000.00
Veterans' Aid	1,000.00	606.78	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	36,000.00	34,476.62	21,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	3,100.00	2,873.33	2,000.00
Schools	59,683.00	59,683.00	71,710.00
Vocational Education	1,500.00	1,460.92	1,500.00
Caretaker Recreation Field	325.00	346.41	350.00
Cemeteries	600.00	600.00	600.00
Soldiers' Graves	75.00	75.00	75.00
Interest	25.00	14.28	25.00
Insurance	1,707.01	1,854.40	4,000.00
Honor Roll	25.00	5.04	20.00
Unclassified	500.00	513.83	500.00
Memorial Day	100.00	24.44	100.00
Armistice Day	50.00	36.75	50.00
Town Clock	75.00	75.00	100.00
Public Dump	50.00	50.00	50.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00	934.45	1,000.00

Art. 11 not recommended. Art. 19 open for discussion. All other articles recommended.

WILLIAM N. WEBSTER
ISAAC A. HODGEN
ROMEO JOYAL
GEORGE BOOTH
GUY ALLEN, JR.

Finance Committee

BALANCE SHEET—May 15, 1946
GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	
Cash		Dog Licenses—Due County	\$364.40
Accounts Receivable:	\$37,077.27	Payroll Deductions for Federal Taxes	225.67
Taxes:		State and County Taxes:	
Levy of 1944	\$276.90	State Tax	\$1,400.00
Levy of 1945	4,707.47	State Parks and Reservations Tax	109.20
Levy of 1946	65,609.60	State—Municipal Auditing Tax	4.26
	70,593.97	County Tax	6,421.13
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:		Trust Fund Income:	
Levy of 1946	545.33	Susan Bridgman Poor Fund	310.86
Tax Titles	4,996.76	Sale of Real Estate Fund	1,613.68
Tax Possessions	138.01	Road Machinery Fund	3,350.29
		Tailings	76.62
State Aid to Highways	30,675.00	Federal Grants:	
County Aid to Highways	4,000.00	Aid to Dependent Children—Aid	58.00
		Smith-Hughes Fund	25.65
Dog Officer Fees:		George Deen Fund	128.13
Due from County	8.00	Unexpended Appropriation Balances:	
Departmental:		General	96,842.36
Highways	74.13	Tax Collector's and Assessors' Office Equip-	
Bridges	174.60	ment	102.05
Public Welfare	543.50	Sewerage System	1,984.89
Aid to Dependent Children	390.27	Purchase of Gravel Bank	150.00
Old Age Assistance	5,667.56	Purchase of Power Mower	580.00
	6,850.06		

Revenue 1946	80.00	Photostats of Veterans' Discharges	245.00
Estimated Receipts to be Collected	37,478.37	Land Damage	535.20
		Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	100,439.50
		Overlays Reserved for Abatements:	4,684.67
		Levy of 1944	276.90
		Levy of 1945	1,245.23
		Levy of 1946	2,902.00
		Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
		Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	545.33
		Tax Title	5,134.77
		Departmental	6,850.06
		State and County Aid to Highway	34,675.00
		Surp'us Revenue	47,205.16
			22,881.81
			\$193,723.16
		TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS	
		Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	\$3,500.00
		Whiting Street Worthy Poor Fund	7,959.36
		George D. Longley School Music Fund	2,402.34
		Calvin Bridgman High School Fund	6,607.79
		Calvin Bridgman Library Fund	4,161.64
		Susan M. D. Bridgman Cemetery Fund	374.32
		Willard A. Stebbins Cemetery Fund	4,491.86
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	22,464.09
		Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	20,000.00
			\$71,961.40
		Trust and Investment Funds,	
		Cash and Securities	
			\$71,961.40

APPENDIX

Report of Veterans' Welcome Home Committee

To the Selectmen of Belchertown:

The following is a brief report of the Veterans Welcome Home Committee which was authorized by a vote of the citizens, and appointed by the Selectmen to prepare a welcome home celebration on July 4, 1946 for Veterans of World War II who had returned from the Services.

After much deliberation as to the type of program which would best suit the Veteran and which would be somewhat in keeping with the one thousand dollar appropriation authorized by the voters, the program was planned and executed. It was early recognized by the Committee that the program as outlined, would require an enlarged Committee, therefore the additional members listed on the back of the program were pressed into service. It was a fine Committee, each doing more than his share to insure the success of the celebration.

In a brief report it is impossible to give personal credit to all, but the cooperation of Father Sullivan of St. Francis Church in placing the facilities of the Pine Room at the disposal of the Committee from the start, and his countless contributions to the affair demand special thanks. Dr. Henry A. Tadgell of the Committee is deserving of special thanks also for making available to us the facilities of the State School, without which the undertaking would have proved far more costly. Lewis H. Blackmer ably translated into words and printed on the programs the sentiments of all good citizens, besides aiding in the research connected with the location of Veterans. The burden of securing sufficient food seemed to fall on Harold Peck. Any Veteran or member of his immediate family will assure you that as usual, Mr. Peck rose to the occasion.

APPENDIX

The Committee is indebted to Asa Hastings of Amherst, Mass., Carstairs and Calvert Corporations, Whitehall Pharmaceutical Co. and others for the favors supplied which added to the festivities. Massachusetts State College supplied bleachers for use at the parade and Band Concert by arrangement with Prof. Curry Hicks.

Not listed on the program were two items for which the Committee arranged. First, families of deceased Veterans of World War II have been supplied with memorial plaques; posthumously awarded to those who gave their lives in defense of our way of life. Second, all Veterans present at the dinner were supplied with souvenir cigarette lighters and those unable to attend received them by mail. The Committee is grateful to Mrs. John Rooney of the State School for packing and mailing these gifts.

The Committee wishes to particularly thank the ladies of the three Churches, who volunteered their services in serving the dinner to Veterans and their families. In each Church it was good to behold the excellent organization and the cheerful service which was so ably rendered.

The organizations participating in the parade may well feel proud of their valuable contributions to the success of that event.

I wish space permitted the personal mention of all the Committee members. I have served on many Committees but never on one like this, where every last member accepted and executed his or her assignments with apparent joy.

Despite economies where they were possible without injury to the program as a whole, the Committee exceeded the amount of the appropriation by 85 dollars and 85 cents. This was due in part to rising food costs and materials in the interim between the planning and execution of the program. The Committee assumes that it has been forgiven for this breach of trust, since somehow, between the cooperative Finance Board and the Selectmen, some adjustment of the deficit seems to have been made.

Respectfully yours,

Arthur E. Westwell, General Chairman

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Annual Reports of the
TOWN of BELCHERTOWN

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1947



Please Bring This Report to Town Meeting

Town Officers, 1947

MODERATOR

Lewis H. Blackmer Term expires Feb. 1948

TOWN CLERK

George A. Poole Term expires Feb. 1948

TOWN TREASURER

William E. Shaw Term expires Feb. 1948

TAX COLLECTOR

William E. Shaw Term expires Feb. 1949

SELECTMEN, BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND BOARD OF HEALTH

Charles F. Austin Term expires Feb. 1948

Francis M. Austin Term expires Feb. 1948

Isaac A. Hodgen Term expires Feb. 1948

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

George A. Poole Term expires Feb. 1948

Fanny G. Morey Term expires Feb. 1949

Albert G. Markham Term expires Feb. 1950

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Fred F. Dewey Term expires Feb. 1948

Howard H. Dickinson Term expires Feb. 1949

Charles F. Austin Term expires Feb. 1950

ASSESSORS

Edward T. Parsons Term expires Feb. 1948

Guy C. Allen Term expires Feb. 1949

Frederick E. Lincoln Term expires Feb. 1950

TREE WARDEN

Harold P. Cook Term expires Feb. 1948

CONSTABLES

Robert D. Camp Term expires Feb. 1948
Frank L. Gold Term expires Feb. 1948
D. Donald Hazen Term expires Feb. 1948
Wilfred T. Weston Term expires Feb. 1948
Robert W. Jenks (Did not take oath of office)

APPOINTED OFFICERS

ALMONERS OF WHITING STREET FUND AND THE MRS. SUSAN M. D. BRIDGMAN FUND

Amy C. Witt Louise Sherman

TRUSTEES OF CALVIN BRIDGMAN FUND

George A. Poole Term expires Feb. 1948
D. Donald Hazen Term expires Feb. 1949
Lewis H. Blackmer Term expires Feb. 1950

TRUSTEE FOR HAMP. CO. AID TO AGRICULTURE Peter Hanifin

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Ella A. Stebbins Term expires Dec. 1950

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Thomas A. Austin Term expires Feb. 1948
Raymond T. Beaudoin Term expires Feb. 1949
Roy G. Shaw Term expires Feb. 1950

George A. Poole (ex officio)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Guy C. Allen, Jr. Term expires Feb. 1948
Byron A. Hudson Term expires Feb. 1949
Romeo J. Joyal Term expires Feb. 1949
George E. Booth Term expires Feb. 1950
William N. Webster Term expires Feb. 1950

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Henry H. Witt

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN

Milton C. Baggs

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Harlan Davis

CHIEF OF POLICE

Frank L. Gold

SPECIAL POLICE

John J. Cronin

Thomas P. Feeney

Emma D. Loftus

SPECIAL POLICE

(Limited to service on State School grounds)

Paul T. Austin

John Moran

Frank E. Farrington

Leon A. Geoffrey

George B. Wyman

Reo L. Terrien

(Old Town Hall)

Douglas Rhodes

DOG OFFICER

Harlan B. Davis

SPECIAL POLICE

Appointed to take the Street List, according to Chapter 440
of the Acts of 1938:

Marion Plant

Emma Loftus

Minnie Flaherty

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Charles Egleston

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Raymond C. Gay

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND LUMBER

Edwin F. Shumway

Raymond C. Gay

Theron V. Pratt

FENCE VIEWERS

Edwin F. Shumway Raymond C. Gay Clarence Robinson

FIELD DRIVERS

Rudolph Smola Frank P. Loftus Clarence Robinson

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Patrick Brown H. Morgan Ryther Harry L. Ryther
 Helena Brown

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

(For Belchertown State School)

John J. Cronin	Patrick J. Nagle
John Davis	Theodore M. Picard
Forrest A. Nichols	Paul T. Austin
John T. Flaherty	Samuel Burton
Arthur Rockwood	Sebastian Dudek

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Dr. Francis M. Austin

DEPUTY FOREST FIRE WARDENS

Kenneth F. Bristol	Joseph J. Kempkes
Roy G. Shaw	Louis E. Fuller
Guy C. Allen, Jr.	Carl Peterson
Isaac Hodgen	

MEMBERS BELCHERTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

1947

Milton C. Baggs	Charles F. Austin
Joseph J. Kempkes, Sr.	John Wood
Kennth E. Bristol	Harold B. Ketchen
Roy G. Shaw	Louis E. Fuller
Isaac Hodgen	Harlan B. Davis
Louis A. Shumway	Albert Menard
Albert G. Markham	John A. Collis
Sherman Gould	William Webster
Guy C. Allen, Jr.	Royal K. Gay
Joseph J. Kempkes, Jr.	Richard W. Lofland
Nelson E. Hill	Harold F. Peck
Carl J. Peterson	J. Raymond Gould

JURORS 1947

GRAND JUROR

John Rys

TRAVERSE JURORS DRAWN

Feb. Term

George A. Shea
Charles F. Austin

June Term

Harold E. Kimball
Alexander Ross

Fall Term

Bernard J. Bowler

Everett A. Geer

Report of Selectmen

At its first meeting on February 7, 1947, the Board organized with Charles F. Austin, Chairman, and Isaac A. Hodgen, Clerk. Regular meetings held each Friday evening.

Because of the upward trend in valuation and construction costs the insurance carried on town property was investigated and subsequently raised. At the present time the amount of insurance carried on our town buildings and equipment is \$224,225.00.

In accordance with the vote of the town, the old Ford truck chassis was traded for a 1947 model.

In May, 1947, a Brockway 3½ ton dump truck was purchased from Springfield Trucks, Inc. Later in the year a snow plow was purchased for same.

Repairs and replacements on our tractors kept them in operating condition, but some consideration must be given to the fact that in the not-too-distant future they will have to be replaced with new equipment.

Continued renovations and repairs at the Town Garage have improved both its practical use and its appearance.

Three special town meetings were called during the year. By vote of the town, one of our old landmarks, the flag pole on the Common, because of its dangerous condition, was ordered removed.

Continued construction of another section of the Three Rivers Road was completed very satisfactorily under the supervision of E. F. Shumway.

The Highway Department, under H. H. Witt's efficient leadership, expended over 40,000 gals. of surface treatment on our

black top highways, with scraping and graveling on our dirt roads, major improvements on Gold and South Washington Streets and Turkey Hill.

The present snow removal problem is being met, with few exceptions, in a commendable manner.

Additional connections have been made to the town sewer system, and under Mr. Witt's supervision a meter house has been erected on the sewer line just before entering the State School grounds.

Mr. William Upham, of Norwood, Mass., has been retained as architect and is drawing plans for additions and alterations at the Center Grade School, this cost being defrayed by a Federal appropriation already made. Borings and soundings for this project have been completed.

The popularity of the Old Town Hall and Parsons' Playground are ample returns to the town for the money expended in their upkeep.

The Board has been represented at various County and State meetings, and various hearings in Boston have been attended.

At the completion of another year, we extend to Chief M. C. Baggs and the members of the Fire Department, to Chief Frank L. Gold and his able assistants of the Police Department, and to all others, both official and private, whose timely suggestions and criticisms have made our town a better town in which to live, our thanks.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

Report of the Board of Health

The health records of the town for the year 1947 show the following cases reported: 132 of these cases were reported from the State School.

Dog Bite	8
Measles	11
Mumps	113
Chicken Pox	18
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	7
Pneumonia (Lobar)	2
Scarlet Fever	2
German Measles	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	1
Undulant Fever	1

A survey of all eating and drinking establishments in the town was conducted by the State Department of Public Health. At a later meeting the District Health officer explained to the various proprietors, methods recommended by his Department to improve their facilities.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Board of Health

Report of Board of Public Welfare

The welfare of the town is administered in three categories, namely, General Relief, Aid to Dependent Children and Old Age Assistance, and a report of each of these follows.

General Relief:

The year started with a case load of four, and ended with five persons being on General Relief. During the year, ten people were aided. Inasmuch as the State rendered a settlement decision against the town in a case, which is a current expense at the State Hospital at Tewksbury, it was necessary to pay last year's hospital bill, which added an expense of \$531.00 to be used from this year's appropriation. Of the total of \$4,899.86 spent, \$1,209.89 was for local cases living in town, \$194.02 was for persons having a settlement in other Mass. towns, but living in Belchertown and will be fully reimbursed, \$623.93 was for State cases and will also be fully reimbursed, \$782.63 was spent in payment of bills received from other towns for aid rendered to Belchertown cases, \$1,152.50 was in payment of bills for two cases at State institutions, and \$936.89 was for administrative costs.

Aid to Dependent Children:

The year started with four families and 20 children being on the roll of recipients, and closed with four families and 17 children being aided at the close of the year. The total money spent for Aid to Dependent Children was \$5,135.62, of which it is expected that \$2,012.58 will be reimbursed by the Federal Government, and \$1,695.20 will be reimbursed by the State.

The administrative cost was \$50.02, which was reimbursed by the Federal Government.

Old Age Assistance:

There were 83 names on the roll of recipients on Jan. 1, 1947. During the year, we received 13 applications, two of which were rejected. We transferred six cases to the Old Age Assistance office of the towns in which the recipients were living, had seven deaths, and closed five cases because of a change in the recipients' economical circumstances. We had two appeals, in both of which the State rendered a decision in our favor. The year closed with 76 cases on the roll of recipients. The total expense for Old Age Assistance for 1947 was \$49,973.67. Of this amount, \$1,012.70 was for administrative costs, of which \$781.83 was reimbursed by the Federal Government. The payrolls totalled \$47,805.83; as compared with a payroll total of \$53,131.15 for 1946. It is expected that the Federal reimbursement on the payroll will be \$20,960.80, and the State reimbursement will be \$18,987.62. There will also be reimbursements for aid given to five persons living in Belchertown and receiving Old Age Assistance from this town, but having a settlement in other Mass. towns. Payments of bills received from towns giving Old Age Assistance to Belchertown persons living in other Mass. towns were \$1,155.14.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Board of Public Welfare

Report of Assessors

The money to pay the cost of operating the town is derived from:

1. Taxation of real estate, personal estate and polls.
2. Grants, gifts and reimbursements from the Commonwealth and Federal Governments, and from other cities and towns.
3. Receipts of departments, available funds.
4. Licenses, permits and fines.
5. Miscellaneous other sources.

The amount to be raised by taxation was determined in this way:

The amount to be raised in the fiscal year	\$196,225.61
Other expenses for the year:	
State tax	\$1,400.00
State parks and reservations	174.72
State audit	419.33
Underestimated	65.52 2,059.57
County tax	7,792.50
Underestimated	72.62 7,865.12
Overlay of current year	2,745.21
Gross amount to be raised	\$208,895.51
Expected revenue from the Commonwealth and all other sources was estimated as	\$70,895.54
Taken from available funds	60,462.41 131,357.95

Deducting the expected revenue from the total expected expenditures gave the sum to be raised by taxation as	\$77,537.56
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Total valuation:

Personal property	\$300,195.00
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Real estate:

Buildings	\$911,825.00
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Land	476,125.00 1,688,145.00
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Total tax levy at \$45:

Personal property	\$13,508.77
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Real estate	62,457.75
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Fractional gains	1.04 \$75,967.56
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Polls (785)	1,570.00
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\$77,537.56

Added assessments:

Real estate	\$4,600.00	\$207.00
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Poll taxes (6)		12.00
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FREDERICK E. LINCOLN

GUY C. ALLEN

EDWARD T. PARSONS

Board of Assessors

Report of Collector

Real Estate Taxes of 1947

Warrants of Assessors		\$62,665.40
Payments to Treasurer	\$52,050.65	
Abatements	16.88	
Outstanding December 31, 1947	10,597.87	
	\$62,665.40	

Real Estate Taxes of 1946

Outstanding January 1, 1947		8,464.66
Payments to Treasurer	7,366.06	
Abatements	86.00	
Tax Titles	10.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1947	1,002.60	
	\$8,464.66	

Real Estate Taxes of 1945

Outstanding January 1, 1947		692.05
Payments to Treasurer	677.42	
Abatements	4.88	
Tax Titles	9.75	
	\$692.05	

Real Estate Taxes, 1944

Outstanding January 1, 1947		167.70
Payments to Treasurer	167.70	

Personal Taxes of 1947

Warrants of Assessors		13,509.24
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Payments to Treasurer	10,872.56	
Outstanding December 31, 1947	2,636.68	
	\$13,509.24	
Personal Taxes 1946		
Outstanding January 1, 1947		1,778.58
Paid after abatement		16.00
		\$1,794.58
Payments to Treasurer	1,266.08	
Abatements	59.20	
Outstanding December 31, 1947	469.30	
	\$1,794.58	
Personal Taxes 1945		
Outstanding January 1, 1947		481.86
Payments to Treasurer	447.73	
Abatements	34.13	
	\$481.86	
Poll Taxes 1947		
Warrants of Assessors		1,586.00
Refunds		12.00
	\$1,598.00	
Payments to Treasurer	1,250.00	
Abatements	348.00	
	\$1,598.00	
Poll Taxes 1946		
Outstanding January 1, 1947		10.00
Payments to Treasurer	10.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise 1947		
Warrants of Assessors		6,004.00

Refunds		171.99
		\$6,175.99
Payments to Treasurer	5,535.64	
Abatements	270.11	
Outstanding December 31, 1947	370.24	
	\$6,175.99	
Motor Vehicle Excise 1946		
Outstanding Januaray 1, 1947		136.38
Warrants of Assessors		110.57
Paid after abatement		2.48
		\$249.43
Payments to Treasurer	243.43	
Abatements	6.00	
	\$249.43	

WILLIAM E. SHAW,
Collector of Taxes

Report of Town Accountant

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1947

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash

Accounts Receivable:

Taxes:

Levy of 1946, Real Estate

Levy of 1946, Personal Property

Levy of 1947, Real Estate

Levy of 1947, Personal Property

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:

Levy of 1947

Tax Titles

Tax Possessions

State Aid to Highways

Dog Officer Fees:

Due from County

Departmental:

Health

Highways

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

\$54,977.54 Payroll Deductions for Federal Taxes

State and County Taxes:

State Parks and Reservations

County Tax

Dog Licenses

Trust Fund Income:

Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund

Sale of Real Estate Fund

Road Machinery Fund

370.24 Tailings

Federal Grants:

Old Age Assistance—Aid

Old Age Assistance—Administrative

Aid to Dependent Children—Aid

Smith-Hughes Fund

George Deen Fund

Plans for Center Grade School Building

Unexpended Appropriation Balances:

Renovation Old Town Hall

Road Machinery Expense Account

Painting Numerals Town Clock

\$900.18

47.13

954.63

1,001.76

75.60

455.86

13.68

3,218.82

129.41

767.53

33.22

189.42

97.36

10.51

1,442.00

2,540.04

1,162.40

523.89

75.00

291.43

66.75

16.00

3,631.80

1,812.40

3,504.76

127.04

Bridges	174.60	Sewerage System	1,093.00
Public Welfare	383.00	Sewerage System Land Damages	394.32
Old Age Assistance	137.43	Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	3,248.61
Aid to Dependent Children	591.39	Overlays Reserved for Abatements:	5,307.49
		Levy of 1946	1,471.90
		Levy of 1947	1,883.01
		Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	3,354.91
		Motor Vehicle Excise	370.24
		Tax Title	3,631.80
		Departmental	1,644.60
		State and County Aid to Highways	1,812.40
		Surplus Revenue	7,459.04
			49,453.63
	<u>\$77,159.03</u>		<u>\$77,159.03</u>
		POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND	
Savings Bank Deposit	\$356.16	Post War Rehabilitation Fund	\$356.16
United States Treasury Notes	\$20,000.00	INVESTED FUND	
		Invested Fund	\$20,000.00
		TRUST ACCOUNTS	
		Whiting Street Poor Fund	\$8,246.92
		Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	3,500.00
		George D. Longley School Music Fund	2,434.67
		Calvin Bridgman High School Fund	6,404.72
		Calvin Bridgman Library Fund	4,124.95
		Willard A. Stebbins Cemetery Fence Fund	4,685.80
		Susan M. D. Bridgman Cemetery Fund	390.47
		Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	22,598.99
Trust Funds and Securities	\$52,386.52		52,386.52

Summary of Appropriations, Expenditures, Transfers, Etc.

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expendi- tures	Unex- pended
Selectmen	\$800.00	\$25.92**	\$825.92	
Town Accountant	425.00		416.43	8.57
Treasurer	690.00		688.28	1.72
Tax Collector	800.00		763.93	36.07
Assessors	900.00	4.25**	904.25	
Town Clerk	450.00		449.03	.97
Certification of Notes	20.00		8.00	12.00
Law	100.00		100.00	
Election and Registration	500.00		492.97	7.03
Town Hall	600.00	96.55**	696.55	
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00		287.17	12.83
American Legion Hdq.	400.00		384.00	16.00
Renovation Old Town Hall		1,781.74§	619.34	1,162.40
Police	700.00	1.00‡	319.64	381.36
Fire Department	1,300.00		959.49	340.51
Forest Fires	1,100.00		550.73	549.27
Hydrant Service	1,500.00		1,500.00	
Moth Suppression	600.00		415.39	184.61
Tree Warden	200.00		170.50	29.50
Sealer Weights and Measures	75.00	10.43**	85.43	
Health	1,050.00	25.00**	1,064.11	10.89
Highways—Chapter 81	4,120.00	23,175.00†	27,294.84	.16
Highways—Chapter 90	500.00	1,000.00†		
		.07**	1,500.07	
Highways—Chapter 90	3,500.00	10,500.00†	13,992.54	7.46
Highways—Snow Removal	5,500.00	422.51**	5,922.51	
Highways—Streets	100.00	75.00**	153.36	21.64
Highways—Bridges	600.00	4.17**	604.17	
Road Machinery	4,500.00	496.11§	4,472.22	523.89

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expenditures	Unexpended
Street Lights	2,000.00	123.29**	2,123.29	
Light on Sargent St.	19.60			19.60
Light on Jackson St.	19.60			19.60
Public Welfare	4,800.00	99.86**	4,899.86	
Veterans' Aid	1,000.00		377.25	622.75
Old Age Assistance	33,000.00	104.85*	28,833.79	4,271.06
Aid Dependent Children	3,250.00		3,239.30	10.70
Schools	71,710.00	65.60*	71,669.14	106.46
Vocational Education	1,500.00		1,137.84	362.16
Caretaker Recreation Field	350.00		160.74	189.26
Cemeteries	600.00	12.73**	612.73	
Soldiers' Graves	75.00		75.00	
Unclassified	500.00		416.86	83.14
Reserve Fund	1,000.00		980.59	19.41
Memorial Day	100.00	.75**	100.75	
Armistice Day	50.00	11.50**	61.50	
Honor Roll	20.00		13.02	6.98
Insurance	4,000.00		3,572.26	427.74
Interest	25.00	68.56**	93.56	
Town Clock	100.00		100.00	
1946 Bill	44.00		44.00	
1946 Bill	116.39		116.39	
Public Dump	50.00		50.00	
Care of Common	150.00		80.57	69.43
Photostats of Discharges	300.00		51.00	249.00
Power Lawn Mower		414.00§	414.00	
Bardwell Gravel Bank		150.00§	150.00	
Typewriter, Coll. and Asses.		131.45§	131.45	
Purchase of Truck	900.00		900.00	
Painting Numerals Tn. Clock		75.00§		75.00
Reim. for Dog Bite	114.00		114.00	
Clapp Memorial Library	2,700.00		2,700.00	

§On hand Jan. 1, 1947. †State and County Allotments. ‡Audit Adjustment. *Refunds. **From the Reserve Fund.

RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS

From Reserve Fund to:		
Selectmen's Expense Account	\$25.92	
Assessors' Expense Account	4.25	
Town Hall	96.55	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	10.43	
Health	25.00	
Highways—Chapter 90	.07	
Highways—Snow Removal	422.51	
Highways—Streets	75.00	
Highways—Bridges	4.17	
Street Lights	123.29	
Public Welfare	99.86	
Cemeteries	12.73	
Memorial Day	.75	
Armistice Day	11.50	
Interest	68.56	980.59

Belchertown, Mass., January 20, 1948

I certify that as Town Accountant I have examined the cash accounts and trust fund accounts of Town Treasurer William E. Shaw and have found balances sufficient to cover said accounts in cash and in bank deposits.

ELLA A. STEBBINS, *Town Accountant*

Belchertown, Mass., January 24, 1948

Hampshire, ss.

Then personally appeared before me, Ella A. Stebbins, Town Accountant, and made oath that the above certificate is correct.

William E. Shaw, Justice of the Peace

Report of Treasurer

Dr.

Cash in Treasury January 1, 1947	\$35,945.65
Receipts January 1 to December 31, 1947	276,185.95
	\$312,131.60

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Warrants of Selectmen and Town Accountant	257,154.06
Cash in Treasury December 31, 1947	54,977.54
	\$312,131.60

Invested Fund

United States Treasury Notes	\$20,000.00
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Post War Rehabilitation Fund

Deposits	356.16
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Trust Funds

Whiting Street Fund	\$8,246.92
Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	3,500.00
George D. Longley School Music Fund	2,434.67
Calvin Bridgman High School Fund	6,404.72
Calvin Bridgman Library Fund	4,124.95
Willard A. Stebbins Cemetery Fence Fund	4,685.80
Susan M. D. Bridgman Cemetery Fund	390.47
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	22,598.99

WILLIAM E. SHAW, *Town Treasurer*

Report of Town Clerk

Marriage intentions recorded		33
Marriages recorded		44
Births recorded: 26 males, 23 females		49
Deaths recorded: 23 males, 11 females		34
Sporting licenses issued	385	
Duplicate licenses issued	4	
Free licenses issued	21	
Total	—	410
Gross receipts for same		\$910.25
Dog licenses issued: 272 males, 55 females, 86 spayed, 2 kennel, 2 free military, total		417
Gross receipts for same		\$1,026.00
Mortgages, bills of sale, etc., recorded		63
(See Appendix for details)		

Report of Fire Chief and Forest Warden

Selectmen of Belchertown

Gentlemen:

During the year 1947, the Fire Department answered 52 calls.

12 calls for fires in buildings

2 calls for automobile fires

25 calls for grass and forest fires

13 calls for the Emergency Truck

During the two weeks when many communities were experiencing disastrous forest fires, not a single fire occurred here, and the people of the town should be highly commended for their strict compliance with the Laws and Regulations governing fires in the open.

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON C. BAGGS,

Fire Chief and Forest Warden

Report of Dog Officer

Jan. 1, 1948

Selectmen of Belchertown

Gentlemen:

Collected taxes on 64 dogs, receiving \$80 on males, \$18 on spayed females and \$75 on females.

Handed George Poole, Town Clerk, \$173.

Picked up 28 stray dogs, found owners for 12, destroyed 14 and sold two for \$6. Handed the same in to William Shaw, Town Treasurer.

HARLAN B. DAVIS

Dog Officer

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Tested and sealed January 1, 1947—December 31, 1947:

Platform scales, 10,000 lbs. and over	2
Platform scales, 100 lbs. to 5,000 lbs.	9
Counter scales under 100 lbs.	3
Beam scales under 100 lbs.	6
Spring scales under 100 lbs.	6
Prescription scales	1
Liquid, 1 gal. or more	1
Liquid, under 1 gal.	4
Gasoline pumps	22
Oil pumps	3
Yard sticks	1
Tapes	1

I have collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer fees amounting to \$22.88.

RAYMOND C. GAY,

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Report of Chief of Police

January 10, 1948

Board of Selectmen

Belchertown, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Following is a list of arrests made in Belchertown during the year of 1947:

Assault	5
Indecent Assault	1
Leaving Scene of Accident	1
Wilful Destruction of Property	1
Adultery	1
Cruelty to Animals	1
Disturbing the Peace	5
Driving to Endanger	1
Driving under Influence of Liquor	3
Drunkenness	19
Violating Fish and Game Laws	29
Violating Lottery Laws	3
Violating Motor Vehicle Laws	4
Non-Support	2
Failure to Display W. S. Sticker	2
Interfering with an Officer	1
Total	79

Very truly yours,

FRANK L. GOLD

Chief of Police

Report of Old Town Hall Committee

The committee organized with Isaac Hodgen chairman. We were fortunate in obtaining the services of Douglas Rhodes as custodian. Necessary supplies were purchased and mirrors were installed in both shower rooms.

The first year of this hall as a recreational spot in town proved very successful. Many organizations and individuals used the hall for various activities.

We wish to thank the Farmers' and Mechanics' Club for the electric clock, the Library Association for the use of the chairs, and Mrs. William Henrich for the piano.

We still feel that flooring is too expensive, but have hopes of completing the floor in the near future.

THE COMMITTEE

ISAAC A. HODGEN

ALBERT G. MARKHAM

WILLARD H. YOUNG

Report of Cemetery Commissioners

The Cemetery Commissioners wish to submit the following expenditures from the town appropriation:

Dwight	\$32.00
Evergreen	15.00
Hillcrest	65.00
Lake Vale	52.00
Liberty	22.00
Rural	38.00
South Center	72.00
Mt. Hope	303.98
Materials, etc.	12.75

The Commissioners recommend that an appropriation be made to erect a new fence at Lake Vale, as the one there at the present time is in a deplorable condition.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
HOWARD H. DICKINSON
FRED F. DEWEY

Commissioners

Annual Report

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION

School Committee

	Term Expires
MRS. FANNY G. MOREY, Chairman	1949
GEORGE A. POOLE	1948
ALBERT G. MARKHAM	1950

Superintendent of Schools and Secretary of School Committee

M. LEROY GREENFIELD, Res., 117 Church St., Ware, Mass.
Telephone: Ware Res. 367
Ware Off. 69
Bel. Off. 3111

Meetings of School Committee

At 7.30 P. M. on the second Wednesday of the Month
at Superintendent's office

Superintendent's Office Hours

Memorial Hall by Appointment

School Nurse

MRS. HOWARD DAVIS, R. N.

School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD, M. D.

Attendance Officer

MRS. EMMA D. LOFTUS

No School Signal

5 long blasts at 7.30 A. M.

Report of School Committee

January 1, 1948

To the Citizens of Belchertown:

1947 brought many problems to the Committee.

Our teachers not only needed but deserved more pay. The cost of living has increased so much that that fact alone called for an increase in salary.

The crowded conditions of the school has created a problem, and temporary solutions have been made. The committee is unanimously in favor of a new building and feels this is the only answer to present conditions.

The schools are in much need of repairs, the cost and scarcity of materials the past few years making repairs prohibitive. In 1947 a new roof was put on the Center Grade School and an insulation program started. Toilets in the high school were repaired and some small repairs were made in all buildings. Some old equipment was replaced in the Household Arts department.

During the year the State Building Inspector inspected all the school buildings and made the following directives:

Department of Safety:

Having inspected the following schools located in the town of Belchertown you are hereby notified, that in order to comply with the Provisions of Chapter 143 of the General Laws and the regulations of this department, it will be necessary to comply with the following:

HIGH SCHOOL

- (a) Repair egress doors from both locker rooms.

- (b) Provide approved hardware on egress doors and class room doors. No bolts, hooks or dead locks are allowed.
- (c) Fresh air rooms are not to be used for storage.

HIGH SCHOOL HALL

- (a) If the hall is to be used at night, emergency lights shall be provided.
- (b) All seats in the Auditorium and Gallery shall be securely fastened to the floor or otherwise secured in place.

FRANKLIN SCHOOL

- (a) Provide means for the extinguishment of fire. Chemical extinguishers of the soda and acid type will be acceptable.
- (b) Patch opening in boiler room wall and provide a fresh air vent to boiler room.

UNION SCHOOL AND LIBERTY SCHOOL

- (a) Provide a second means of egress from classroom. This egress is to be not less than three (3) feet in width and located at the rear of the classroom.
- (b) Egress doors shall swing outwardly and be equipped with approved hardware.
- (c) Remove present stove from classroom and provide a heating and ventilating system in accordance with the regulations of this department.
- Boiler and fuel rooms shall be enclosed in masonry or fire-resistive walls with fire-resistive ceilings and floors.
- (d) Provide toilet rooms in accordance with the regulations of this department.
- (e) Provide means for the extinguishment of fire. Portable extinguishers of the soda and acid type will be acceptable.

All work to be done subject to the regulations of this department.

CENTER SCHOOL

In September 1943 the State Building Inspector's report for Center School was as follows:

- (1) This is to notify you that the above named building comes under the Gen. Laws of Mass. Chap. 143, and Sec. 15 to

60 inclusive apply thereto, therefore it will be necessary to provide the following:

(2) The boiler room and the door leading to the un-excavated portion of the basement, to be a metal covered self-closing door.

(3) The class rooms that have been installed in what was formerly the Auditorium, to have approved heating and ventilation that will provide 30 cu. ft. of air for each occupant, and exhaust ducts that will remove a similar amount.

(4) The present heating and ventilation in the other classrooms to meet the above requirements.

(5) The toilet rooms to be provided with a mechanical means of ventilation that will change the air in each toilet room 8 times an hour.

(6) Plans for the above heating and ventilation to be submitted for approval to the writer before installation.

(7) An approved egress 3 ft. 6 in. in clear width to be erected and located in Grade 2, or the adjacent classroom, as you may elect. The outside construction of this egress can be a class No. 2 fire escape—plans for this new egress to be submitted for approval before erected.

(8) The fire extinguishers to be checked and recharged and be ready for use at all times.

The School Committee has complied with 2, 7 and 8 requirements.

The Committee feel that the expenditure will without doubt run into such a large sum that the voters should take action on same and an article has been put in the Town Warrant. The one bright spot of the year is the fact that the State makes a much larger reimbursement, and while this money is not returned for the use of the schools, it does go into town funds and is used in figuring the tax rate. While the budget is larger, the reimbursement sum is also larger. Hence, the School Budget is actually only \$1,264.00 greater than last year, even though the prices of books and supplies constantly rise.

SCHOOL BUDGET

	Expended 1947	1948 Budget
GENERAL CONTROL		
Salaries		
(a) School Committee	\$130.00	\$130.00
(b) Superintendent	925.00	600.00
Expenses: Inc. Out-of-State Travel		
(a) School Committee	15.00	50.00
(b) Superintendent: Travel, telephone, clerk, correspondence, etc.	871.97	795.00
(c) Law Enforcement	15.33	50.00
INSTRUCTION		
Teachers' Salaries	44,302.69	51,680.00
Teachers' Expenses	322.58	335.00
Teachers' Supplies	818.18	1,000.00
Text Books	939.20	1,200.00
OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT		
Janitors' Salaries	2,305.67	2,540.00
Janitors' Supplies — Electricity, telephone, miscellaneous	1,210.12	1,300.00
Fuel	3,230.90	4,000.00
MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT		
Repairs and Replacements	2,113.38	1,925.00
HEALTH		
School Physician	200.00	250.00
School Nurse	1,274.98	1,400.00
Supplies	22.27	20.00
TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS	10,110.85	12,625.00
MISCELLANEOUS		
Cartage, express, diplomas, etc.	104.39	330.00
HOUSEHOLD ARTS	2,691.03	2,510.00
NEW EQUIPMENT		100.00

EXPENDED FROM SPECIAL FUNDS 443.06

\$72,046.60 \$82,840.00

NOTE: Reimbursement from State is \$29,075.94

By unanimous vote the School Committee is asking for an appropriation of \$82,840.00 based on the above budget.

Respectfully submitted,

FANNY G. MOREY
ALBERT G. MARKHAM
GEORGE A. POOLE

Report of Superintendent of Schools

January 1, 1948

Members of Belchertown School Committee:

In recording my seventh annual report as your administrative officer, I am mindful of the fact that the accomplishments of education are so abstract that no proper system has, as yet, been devised whereby one can properly assess their value. The man who builds a machine ultimately sees raw materials turned into useful products; a builder sees progress, day by day, toward the final fulfilment of the vision he has worked out in the blue-print. So with all who work with concrete materials, a beautiful or useful thing has been created, and men applaud. In education we have an investment that pertains to the most valuable materials of creation,—the children who, in another generation, will guide the destinies of civilization. The value of this investment cannot be measured in dollars, and our blue-prints of the final product are indeed difficult to read. I often wonder if it is not the inability of the teacher to see concrete results of his hours and years of painstaking endeavor, that causes him so often to feel a sense of futility. The cathedral he has helped to build often is never seen by him.

Whether a deepening sense of all this accounts for the appalling prospect our schools face today, or the general economic situation, or a too long delayed public interest in the proper facilities for, and methods of, the best training of youth, I am not prepared to state. A survey by the New York Times just released showed that at present 110,000 teachers are serving on substandard or emergency certificates, and the growth in school

population will continue for at least another six years.

The average teacher's salary for the country is about \$47 per week (this is much better than the average paid in Belcherown). In California, where the state minimum is \$2,400 per year, a shortage of 14,000 teachers is reported in the survey. The National Education Association reports that 625,000 new teachers will be needed in the next five years to replace emergency teachers, those leaving through retirement, resignation, or death, and to meet expanded enrolment.

In 1947 the American people spent seven billion dollars on horse and dog racing; approximately as much on liquors; yet *invested* less than three billion in public high and elementary education. Is there not a real threat to our American Way of Life if the average citizen continues to invest less than \$20 per year in safeguarding that way of life, but spends more than four times as much on these two items that add nothing to future betterment? The United States Chamber of Commerce recently published an enlightening brochure that proved from careful analysis, that where schools are best, average incomes are greatest, retail sales are greatest, rentals for homes are highest, more telephones are used, more magazines are read, and fewest men were rejected under Selective Service.

HOUSING

This fall it was necessary to house the seventh grade from the Center School in the High School Building. This move necessitated partial use of Memorial Hall as a classroom and study hall for high school pupils. This change was imperative but did not relieve the overcrowded conditions at the Center School. It should be noted that in spite of the removal of an entire grade, the enrolment at the Center is greater than it was a year ago.

The report of the inspector from the State Department of Public Safety relative to the changes that must be made in the school buildings merits careful thought and consideration. The Town must spend money in order to secure the necessary certification. It is also imperative that more classroom space be provided in

the very near future. These problems should be considered simultaneously in order to provide for a school housing program that is economical to operate, practical to administrate, and above all, adapted to the growing educational needs of the Town.

TEACHER-SALARIES

The Belchertown Teachers' Association and the School Committee have both been at work on the salary problem. Salaries are too low at the present time. For the School year 1947 to 1948 the average teacher's salary of \$2,017.50 paid in Belchertown compares unfavorably with the national average of \$2,424. When there is increased State Aid for teachers' salaries, the salary level in Belchertown should be substantially raised. I want, at this time, to state publicly that I believe we can never again attract to the teaching profession the type of men and women into whose guiding hands we should be willing to trust our future citizens, unless we offer a salary range of \$2,500 for beginners to at least \$5,000 for those who have proved their merit after a period of 12-16 years.

TEACHER CHANGES

Twice in the course of the year the school system and the community were saddened by the death of members of the teaching staff. In January Miss Anna Sullivan, teacher of Union School, passed away. Mrs. Florence Utley of Amherst (formerly of Belchertown) filled the position for the remainder of the school year and was elected in the Fall. The sudden passing of Mr. Osborne Davis in May removed from the teaching and administrative staff of the High School a man who had given unsparingly of his energy and loyalty in the performance of his duties. Miss Clementine Bianche filled the Science vacancy until June. In September Mr. Elwyn Doubleday was elected to the position.

Mrs. Blanche Austin who was substituting at Liberty School at the close of 1946 was employed for the remainder of the school year and elected to the position in September. Mrs. Marie Cincotta was hired to teach the seventh grade when it was found necessary to move the grade from the Center School to the High

School building. Mrs. Vera Harrington resigned as Principal of the Center School and was assigned to grade four. Mrs. Marion Shaw was appointed Assistant Principal of the Center School.

PROFESSIONAL IMPROVEMENT

During the past year college credit courses have been taken by the following teachers. The number of credits is indicated in the parenthesis following the name:

Mr. Carl Peterson	(3)	Mrs. Marion Shaw	(2)
Mrs. Vera Harrington	(4)	Mrs. Ada Tague	
Miss Marguerite Meehan	(2)		(not for credits)
Miss Irene Orlando	(2)	Mr. Guy Harrington	(2)
Miss Kathleen Roy	(2)		

After the close of school in June Eleanor Fitzgerald, Alice Flaherty, Vera Harrington, Mary Landers, Irene Orlando, Madeleine Orlando and Marion Shaw attended the Massachusetts Elementary Teachers Institute at Lesley College, Cambridge. The School Department reimbursed the teachers for part of their expenses at this conference.

Also after the close of school Florence Jackson took a three-week course at Fitchburg State Teachers College.

In the Fall nearly all of the Elementary Teachers attended some or all sessions of the 15 hour Workshop in Art, sponsored jointly by Binney and Smith (manufacturers of art materials) and the Amherst School Department.

GREATER STATE AID

Education is a State, as well as a local function. The laws that require Cities and Towns to maintain schools and compel the attendance of children between certain ages are State statutes. It is reasonable therefore, that the State should contribute financially to a greater degree than at present. Belchertown is singularly fortunate in having a large per cent of its school budget reimbursed by the State. Unfortunately (as has been indicated in past reports), the money is not earmarked to be spent for school purposes. Therefore, the sum asked for

at the Annual Town Appropriation Meeting does not reflect the amount of return anticipated from the State.

In 1947, the increase in State Reimbursement was \$9,868.54 over the previous year. Such figures should be studied carefully before the popular cry of "higher taxes" is attached to a request for an increased school budget.

CONCLUSION

For the consideration and helpful cooperation of your body and all my co-workers, I am deeply grateful. A single cog in a wheel that is out of alignment ruins the efficiency of the machine. I bespeak the appreciation of the entire School Department to the individuals and groups that have contributed prizes, medals and other things for increasing the welfare of the schools. On behalf of the citizens and the schools, I wish to express appreciation for the fine service rendered by Mr. George A. Poole, who did not seek reelection after three years on the School Committee.

For his hearty cooperation in the preparation of this report, as in all school matters, I am happy to ascribe due credit and my sincere gratitude to my colleague, Mr. Carl J. Peterson. Belchertown is indeed fortunate to be able to retain his valuable services.

Respectfully submitted,

M. LEROY GREENFIELD

Report of High School Principal

Mr. M. Leroy Greenfield
Superintendent of Schools

My fifth annual report as principal of Belchertown High School is herewith submitted:

The enrollment in September, 1947, was

	Boys	Girls	Totals
Seniors	7	13	20
Juniors	9	15	24
Sophomores	22	21	43
Freshmen	19	26	45
	—	—	—
	57	75	132
Eighth Grade	18	13	31
Seventh Grade	17	13	30
	—	—	—
	92	101	193

Four members of last year's graduating class are freshmen at the University of Massachusetts. They are George Jackson, Jane Kimball, George Wezniak and Willard Young. Charlotte Dube is enrolled at Green Mountain Junior College; Helen O'Seep is studying at Aroostook State Normal School, Presque Isle, Maine; Peter Whittaker is attending Springfield Junior College; and Richard Wonsik is enrolled at Williston Academy. Channing Kimball has enlisted in a specialized course of the U. S. Army Air Corps, and Francis Ross has joined the U. S. Navy. Louise Romaniak is a student nurse at Mercy Hospital, Springfield, and Jeannette Ritter is in training at the Hol-

yoke Hospital. David Russell has a position at the Federal Land Bank, Springfield. Shirley Williams is employed by Jackson's Store. Robert Smith is working at the Ludlow Reservoir. Stanley Kawalec has an office position with the Wickwire Spencer Company, Palmer. Stasia Geslock is a typist at the Textile Printing Company, Bondsville. Eileen Dodge is a sales clerk at the Albert Steiger Company, Holyoke. Raymond Jenks has been working at the University of Massachusetts. Nancy Kimball worked at the Belchertown State School for a time. Eleanor Joyal was recently married to Harvey Plant. Joan Hill, Frank Antonovitch, Richard Cole and William Cook are working at home.

During the spring vacation, the members of the senior class took the usual trip to New York City and Washington. In addition, the trip included a tour of the Shenandoah Valley, the Gettysburg Battlefield and Valley Forge.

Two new courses, Civics and General Business Training, are being offered this year. The class in civics includes a study of community and national activities of government, and aims to teach that each boy and girl is already a citizen of his state and country and, as such, has certain privileges and responsibilities of citizenship—that the development of good citizenship is of the greatest importance. General Business covers the theory, duties, and forms used in the various fields of business, such as transportation, communication, banking, buying and selling. This gives the student clerical knowledge and vocational guidance.

A course in Driver's Education was offered to juniors and seniors during the second semester last year. Lectures and movies were given by officials from the State Department of Motor Vehicles, and a study was made of the book, "Man and the Motor Car," to assist the student in learning how to become a better driver.

An additional issue of the Oracle was published last year. Much time, thought and energy are required in the preparation of this paper. It is worthwhile, however, because it gives pupils

who have ability a chance to present work along the literary line. Others get experience in contacting people for advertisements, and in disposing of the finished product to the public. Another most important benefit is that such a publication helps to keep the townspeople, who support the school, informed about school activities. Several schools have been added to the exchange list, so that new ideas will be obtained.

Again this year, the Iowa Tests of Educational Development were given to all pupils of grades nine through twelve. The Juniors and Seniors took Vocational Battery Tests, under the Cooperative Guidance and Testing Service of Boston University. These tests include fields and types of interest, mental maturity, problem solving ability, reading comprehension, space relations ability, and habits of speed and accuracy. These tests are of great value for work in guidance.

Pupils in the English classes have the opportunity of purchasing some of the best classics at a very reasonable rate, by joining the Student Book Guild.

Such magazines as Popular Science, the Reader's Digest, the Scholastic, Coronet, the American Observer and Current Events, are subscribed to by pupils for use in the school.

The classes of the high school are organized after the opening of school, by electing class officers. Each class elects a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, class reporter and class advisor. This year, the advisors are: Senior, Miss Marguerite Meehan; Junior, Miss Kathleen Roy; Sophomore, Mrs. Sophia Pero; Freshmen, Mrs. Ada Tague; Eighth Grade, Mrs. Bernadette Bowler; and Seventh Grade, Mrs. Marie Cincotta.

Under the able direction of Mrs. Pero and Mrs. Tague, the play, "Yankee Doodle American," was presented by the 1947 Senior Class to a capacity audience. Both the cast and the directors are to be congratulated for their work.

We have continued our program of athletics. Ten baseball games were played and fifteen games of basketball. Our team participated in the Small School Basketball Tournament at Or-

ange, and attended basketball clinics in Springfield and Amherst.

Progressive steps have been taken in securing new equipment in the Household Arts Department. While no high school is worthy of its name unless it has a core of subjects providing for higher education, it should be recognized that only a small percentage of our graduates will attend college. For the greater number, vocational courses prepare them for life as they will find it, and thus the improvement of such courses will assist in more nearly meeting the needs of our pupils.

This year, the high school has been penalized by the overcrowded conditions in the Center Grade Building, in having to make room for the seventh grade. This means that the senior class is deprived of a home room, as they are now located in the commercial room, where they are forced to share the desks with other students for the storage of books and needed materials. Being deprived of this room is a handicap when students are passing from one room to another room between classes. It has been necessary to use the auditorium for a class room and study hall, although the lighting and seating arrangements are far from ideal.

The passing of Mr. Davis was a great loss to the school. In him, I found a loyal co-worker; he was ever ready to assist any member of the teaching force; the pupils received the benefit of his experience and guidance; in short, he was a friend to all of us. His memory is an inspiration to carry on.

In conclusion, I wish to thank all who have participated in the conduct of Belchertown High School, pupils, teachers, parents and other citizens, for their splendid cooperation during the year. It is only by the cooperation of us all that we can hope to solve the many problems that confront such an enterprise as the successful operation of the school.

Respectfully submitted,

GUY E. HARRINGTON

Principal of the High School

January 10, 1948

Report of Household Arts Supervisor

*Mr. M. Leroy Greenfield,
Superintendent of Schools
Dear Mr. Greenfield:*

Last year, this report suggested the need of new equipment for the Household Arts Department. No prayer has ever been more promptly and generously answered. After long years of good service, both the electric range and the refrigerator were simultaneously retired last spring, and replaced by new models. On the first day of school in the fall, a new electric sewing machine was delivered. This, by the way, was nearly paid for by an accumulation of the money received as prizes on Fair Day over a period of years. In December, a beautiful gas range was purchased to replace the inadequate oil stove. These installations have made it possible for a larger number of girls to practice cooking, and to become acquainted with the types of equipment they may later wish to have in their own homes. In addition to these larger items, we have received pressure cookers, a new electric iron and several other things.

During the summer vacation, the room was given a very thorough cleaning. The floor was painted; the ceiling and walls were scrubbed until they looked as though they had been freshly decorated.

For all these and many other manifestations of good will and interest, the Household Arts Department, both teacher and pupils, are extremely grateful to the School Committee, the administration, and the townspeople in general. I should, also,

be most remiss not to express my appreciation to Custodian George Dewey, for his all-year-long cooperation with the department.

On January 12, the enrollment in the department is thirty-six: eleven Sophomores, twelve Freshmen, and thirteen Eighth Grade girls.

As usual, the Freshmen and Sophomores started in September with canning lessons, learning the more common methods of household preserving. The non-acid foods were canned in the pressure cooker; tomatoes and fruits were preserved in the hot water bath.

In the clothing classes, the Sophomore girls have worked mostly with wool. They have made suits, skirts and coats. The Freshman girls have worked on cotton materials to make dresses, blouses, skirts, slips and pajamas, in addition to some remodeling and altering. The Eighth Grade girls have made aprons and head bands for use in their cooking class, and are now working on pajamas.

The Farmers' and Mechanics' Club awarded the girls a complimentary prize of eight dollars for their exhibit at the Belchertown Fair.

In the cooking classes, the girls have made pastries, Christmas cookies and candies. They are now busy with main dishes and breads.

Mrs. Minnie Davis, the school nurse, is assisting in teaching a course in Red Cross Home Nursing. The Red Cross is furnishing supplies, and Dr. Henry Tadgell, superintendent of the Belchertown State School, has generously loaned hospital beds for use in practice work.

Last May, the Sophomore girls served a dinner to Superintendent and Mrs. Greenfield, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peterson, Principal Harrington, and the members of the Advisory Board, Mrs. Guy C. Allen, Sr., Mrs. Marion Farley and Mrs. Ruth Fuller.

Hot lunches are still served at cost to those high school teach-

ers and pupils who desire them. In December, we were asked to discontinue the practice of sending lunches to the Grade School, because of lack of facilities there for serving food in their cramped quarters.

It is to be hoped that provision will be made in the proposed addition to the Center Grade School for the preparation and serving of hot lunches to all the pupils there. Children of that age group, most of whom come to school on busses, are greatly in need of warm lunches. The whole matter of suitable lunch-room equipment in all the schools is one which deserves careful study in the cause of safe nutrition.

As I look back over the wonderful cooperation that you and all the others have given us this year, I know that the future is in sympathetic hands.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE N. JACKSON

January 12, 1948

Report of School Nurse

January 1, 1948

Dear Mr. Greenfield:

I herewith submit my third annual report as School Nurse in the schools of Belchertown for the year ending December 31, 1947.

A similar routine has been followed to that of the two previous years, namely: visiting each school at least once a week (with the exception of Center, which is visited almost every day), general inspecting, weighing and measuring in the Elementary Schools, testing of eyes by use of the Massachusetts Vision Testing Equipment, testing of ears by use of the Audiometer, transporting of children to Chest Clinics, physical examining by Dr. James Collard and Home Visiting.

This past year, we have had very few cases of pediculosis, as compared with other years. It appears that more careful supervision is being given to the child's hair at home. Every child's head should be examined at least once a week. In doing this, live nits, pediculosis and abnormal scalp conditions may be recognized early and treated. The child is spared embarrassment, loses little time from school and has less chance of infecting others. Any child with live nits or pediculosis should not attend school.

There were only a few children who showed a marked decrease in weight, the majority gaining in both height and weight.

The Massachusetts Vision Testing Equipment was used to

test for apparent visual defects. This equipment not only tests for acuity, but also will pick up those who are suffering from undue eyestrain or lack of muscle balance. There were 446 children tested at this time and 86 were found to have apparent defects. A number of these children have had corrections made with glasses. Good vision is important and necessary for good results in school work. I urge every parent who has been notified of defective vision to see that the child goes to an Eye Specialist.

Through the kindness of the American Red Cross, we borrowed the Audiometer, which is used for testing hearing. 437 children were examined, with three failing to pass the test. In the instances of failure, parents have been notified, and the child should be seen by an Ear Specialist. Good hearing is important in regards to his progress in school.

Eleven children were transported to the Chest Clinic, which is held at Mary Lane Hospital, Ware, Massachusetts, on the first Thursday of every second month. All children taken to this clinic have had negative reports, with one exception. However, the latter case is no longer living in Belchertown.

Dr. James Collard gave physical examinations to all the children in the schools. Eleven were found to have apparent defects at this time and parents were notified.

Home visits are made whenever it is felt necessary. When time permits, I try to visit or contact by telephone the parent of the child, who has been absent from school for more than three days. In this way, it gives me a better picture of the health situation in the schools, and I may be of some help to a mother in advising or suggesting what to do.

The State Department of Public Health reports that this year has been the lowest year as to the prevalence of communicable disease since 1916. We have been fortunate to have had only a few cases here in the schools this year. However, at the time of this writing, the report for 1948 does not look very favorable. There were three cases of measles, one case of Ger-

man Measles, two cases of Chicken Pox, one case of Scarlet Fever reported. Starting in September, we had quite a few children with sores, especially on the face, which did not respond readily to treatment. This condition existed during the first three months of the school year. An acute eye infection (which spread rapidly, but of short duration) was present during the latter part of November and December.

Due to the outbreak of diphtheria throughout the State, the State Department of Public Health urged all parents to have their children inoculated for this disease. They advised having all children from the age of six months to ten years receive the series of three inoculations, any child who received these prior to 1945 to receive a booster dose. With the permission of the Board of Health, another diphtheria clinic was held, starting in February at three week intervals. 259 children attended these clinics.

In March, the American Red Cross X-rayed members of the Freshman and Senior classes and members of the School Personnel, who were desirous of this opportunity to learn whether Pulmonary Tuberculosis was present. The response was nearly 100%. Because of the shortage of film, X-rays were taken of the age group, where it is felt that Tuberculosis is most prevalent. All reports were negative. At some future time, when film is more plentiful, we may have the opportunity of having a Mobile Unit come to town and X-ray all school children and as many townspeople as would care to take advantage of this splendid opportunity.

The American Red Cross Home Nursing course is again being given as part of the Household Arts Course to the Sophomore girls. This is a 30-hour course given by Mrs. Florence Jackson and myself, endeavoring to teach the girls how to give proper care to the sick in the home. There are eleven girls taking the course. Each girl upon completion of the course and a passing grade on the examination, will receive a certificate from the American Red Cross.

Again I want to suggest to parents and guardians not to send a child to school if he feels ill. So many of the communicable diseases start with a child who "just doesn't feel well". The majority of these diseases start with the same signs and symptoms as a cold. A child who has a chill, fever, sore or scratchy throat, red watery eyes, watery nasal discharge, tight dry cough, sneezing, nausea, vomiting, headache, earache or aching in back or legs should be put to bed and observed closely for any further development. If there are more symptoms a doctor should be called to determine the nature of the illness, and prescribe proper treatment.

I should like to thank Mr. M. Leroy Greenfield, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. James Collard, School Physician, all School Personnel and Parents who have cooperated with me in my work as School Nurse.

Respectfully submitted,

MINNIE N. DAVIS, R. N.

School Financial Report

CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

GENERAL CONTROL

School Committee		
Salaries	\$130.00	
Expenses	15.00	\$145.00
Superintendent of Schools		
Salary	925.00	
Expenses—including in and out-of-state travel, clerk, postage, telephone and stationery	871.97	
Law Enforcement	15.33	1,812.30

INSTRUCTION

Teachers' Salaries	44,302.69	
Teachers' Expenses	322.58	
Supplies	818.18	
Text Books	939.20	46,382.65

OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT

Janitor Service	2,305.67	
Supplies, electricity, telephone	1,210.12	
Fuel	3,230.90	6,746.69

MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT

Repairs and replacements	2,113.38	2,113.38
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AUTILIARY AGENCIES

Promotion of Health	1,497.25	
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Transportation of Pupils	10,110.85	
Miscellaneous	104.39	11,712.49
NEW EQUIPMENT		
HOUSEHOLD ARTS	2,691.03	2,691.03
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>\$71,603.54</u>
From Appropriation		
From Special Funds:		
George Deen	298.20	
Longley Music Fund	31.11	
Bridgman Fund	113.75	443.06
TOTAL COST OF SCHOOLS		<u>\$72,046.60</u>
RECEIPTS		
Appropriation	71,710.00	
Available Funds	443.06	72,153.06
BALANCE RETURNED TO TOWN		<u>\$106.46</u>
RECEIPTS—Paid to the Town of Belcher-		
town from other sources than local tax-		
ation:		
Department of Public Welfare		
State Wards	6,088.47	
City (Boston) Wards	100.40	
State—School Fund, Part I		
(Teachers' Salaries)	6,795.00	
State—School Fund, Part II	7,169.89	
Household Arts Reimbursement	867.18	
Transportation Reimbursement	8,055.00	
Supt. Reimbursement	not yet received	29,075.94
RECAPITULATION:		
Total Cost of Schools	72,046.60	
Offset to 1948 Taxes	29,075.94	

Used from Available Funds	443.06	29,519.00
ACTUAL COST TO THE TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN		42,527.60
IN 1946, THE ACTUAL COST TO THE TOWN OF BELCHERTOWN WAS		40,475.60

ENROLMENT AS OF DECEMBER 1947														
SCHOOL	GRADES												TOTALS	
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
Center	37	31	31	27	29	38							193	
Franklin	11	12	5	11	16	8	12						75	
Liberty	1	2	2	5	3	2							15	
Union	7	8	2	4									21	
High								30	32	46	43	24	20	195
	56	53	40	47	48	48	42	32	46	43	24	20	499	

Commencement

OF THE

BELCHERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

June 19

1947

Lawrence Memorial Hall

8:00 P. M.

Graduates

Frank Leon Antonovitch
Richard Irving Cole, Jr.
William James Cook, Jr.
Eileen Daisy Dodge
Charlotte Lillian Dubé
Stasia Bertha Geslock
Joan Estelle Hill
George Belding Jackson
Raymond Wesley Jenks
Eleanor Mae Joyal
Stanley Peter Kawalec
Channing Brigham Kimball
Jane Lillian Kimball
Nancy Ann Kimball
Helen Mary O'Seep
Jeanette Alice Ritter
Louise Elizabeth Romaniak
Francis Dudley Ross
David William Russell
Robert Alwood Smith
George Richard Wezniak
Peter Anthony Whittaker
Shirley Anne Williams
Richard Joseph Wonsik
Willard Henry Young

Program

Processional	Miss Lois Chadbourne Miss Diane Allen Accompanists
Invocation	Reverend Joseph T. Collins
Song	Friend O' Mine <i>Wilfrid Sanderson</i> High School Chorus Directed by Mrs. Mary C. Landers
Salutatory	George Belding Jackson
Song	Mighty Lak' A Rose <i>Ethelbert Nevin</i> High School Chorus
Valedictory	Jane Lillian Kimball
Song	Song of Farewell <i>Richard Kountz</i> Senior Class
Emory F. Munsell Award	Reverend Richard Manwell
Introduction of the speaker of the evening — Prin. Clarence I. Chatto, Classical High School, Springfield—by M. Leroy Greenfield, Superintendent of Schools	
Presentation of Class to School Committee	
	G. E. Harrington Principal of High School
Awarding of Diplomas	Mr. George A. Poole School Committee
Benediction	Reverend Richard Manwell

RECEPTION

LIST OF SCHOOL PERSONNEL

Name	Position	Institution Attended	Year Appointed
M. Leroy Greenfield	Superintendent	Colgate University	1917
Carl J. Peterson	Administrative Assistant	Fitchburg State Teachers College and Boston University	1917
Mary C. Landers	Supervisor of Music	Westfield Normal School	1917
HIGH SCHOOL			
Guy E. Harrington	Principal High School, Grade 7 & 8	Boston University	1917
Elwyn J. Doubleday	Science	University of Massachusetts	1917
John Laramie	Social Science and Coach	Middlebury College	1917
Marguerite Meehan	Commercial Subjects	American International College	1917
Sophia M. Pero	Latin and English	Pembroke College	1917
Kathleen Roy	French and English	American International College	1917
Ada W. Tague	History and Science	Iowa State College	1917
Florence Jackson	Household Arts	Boston Domestic School	1917
Bernadette Bowler	Grade 8 and Mathematics	Westfield Normal School	1917
Marie A. Cincotta	Grade 7	Radcliffe College	1917
CENTER SCHOOL			
Marion K. Shaw	Assistant Principal and Grade 6	Summer School Hyannis and North Adams Normal School	1917
Irene B. Orlando	Grade 1	Summer School, Fitchburg Normal School	1917
Mary Laramie	Grade 2	Plymouth State Teachers College	1917
Alice Flaherty	Grade 3	Summer School and Extension Courses University of Mass.	1917
Vera Harrington	Grade 4	Summer School, University of Vermont	1917
Madeleine R. Orlando	Grade 5	Summer School, Fitchburg Normal School	1917
FRANKLIN SCHOOL			
Eleanor Fitzgerald	Principal and Grades 1-3	North Adams Normal School	1917
Nellie G. Shea	Grades 4 and 5	University Extension Courses	1917
Mildred Sullivan	Grades 6 and 7	North Adams Normal School	1917
LIBERTY SCHOOL			
Blanche Austin	Grades 1-6	North Adams Normal School	1917
UNION SCHOOL			
Florence Utley	Grades 1-4	North Adams Normal School	1917

School Calendar

1948

January 5—Monday, Schools open
February 23—Monday, Washington's Birthday
February 27—Friday, Schools close for one week
March 26—Schools closed, Good Friday
April 19—Schools closed, Patriots' Day
April 30—Friday, Schools close for one week
May 31—Monday, Observance of Memorial Day
June 18—Friday, Elementary Schools close for summer
June 25—Friday, High School closes for summer
September 8—Wednesday, Schools open for Fall term
October 12—Tuesday, Columbus Day observance
November 11—Tuesday, Armistice Day
November 24—Wednesday, Schools close at noon for Thanksgiving Recess
December 23—Thursday, Schools closed for Christmas vacation

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January 3—Monday, Schools open for Winter Term

Appendix

List of Jurors

Ayers, Lafayette W.	Bus Driver	Federal St.
Baggs, Robert N.	Farmer	C. Walker St.
Ballard, Alden C.	Orchardist	Green Ave.
Bock, Paul	Superintendent	Allen St.
Butler, Bertram A.	Engineer	No. Main St.
Chadbourne, Lloyd C.	Oil Products	No. Main St.
Chaffee, Dudley	Asst. Mgr.	Maple St.
Cole, Richard I.	Farmer	Franklin St.
Collis, Burt S.	Engineer	Main St.
Conkey, Harry W.	Farmer	Kimball St.
Davis, Howard B.	Chauffeur	So. Main St.
Farley, Frederick D.	Engineer	Cottage St.
Flaherty, John T.	Farmer	No. Main St.
Grout, Karl E.	Time Study	Federal St.
Holt, Ellery C.	Mechanic	Bardwell St.
Howland, Earle R.	Farmer	Bay Rd.
Isaac, Edward J.	Farmer	C. Walker St.
Keyes, Michael V.	Lathe Operator	Keyes St.
Knight, Howard W.	Guard	Everett Ave.
Lacey, William J., Jr.	Teacher	State St.
Loftus, Frank P.	Farmer	Springfield Rd.
McPhee, Daniel W.	Herdsmen	No. Main St.
Menard, Albert J.	Supervisor	Main St.
McKillop, James M.	Clerk	State St.
Rhodes, Charles M.	Engineer	W. Wright St.
Rys, John	Painter	Franklin St.
Sessions, Harry E.	Electrician	No. Main St.
Webster, William N.	Filling Station	Federal St.
Wheeler, Nelson A.	Orchardist	So. Liberty St.

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Statistical Report of Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED, 1947

Date	Name	Parents
January		
5	Carol Ann Mercure	Joseph and Ellen Mercure
9	Charles Henry Eskett	Charles H. and Mary Eskett
February		
7	Joan Bernice Aiken	William J. and Ruby E. Aiken
9	Paulette Muir D'Aoust	Paul H. and Margaret V. D'Aoust
10	Ann Frances Leganza	Frank C. and Celia Leganza
24	Henry August Dreist	Henry A., Jr., and Olga L. Dreist
March		
3	Ernest Michael Trominski	Russell A. and Wanda Anna Trominski
18	Arthur Leon Desormier, Jr.	Arthur L. and Alberta A. Desormier
27	Mark Edward Germain	Edward L. and Virginia Germain
27	John Anthony Geslock	Stanley A. and Pauline N. Ges'lock
28	Stanley Donald Hale	Raymond H. and Hertha H. Hale
April		
4	Gail Ann Gaj	Walter and Stefania T. Gaj
4	Adrian Shepherd Wheeler	Nelson A. and Helen M. Wheeler

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| 7 | Mary Agnes Samson | Harvey A. and Agnes J. Samson |
| 11 | Bernice Joan Piskor | Stanley B. and Sophie Piskor |
| 25 | Jonathan Robert Phipps | Robert E. and Priscilla Phipps |
| 29 | Martha Dianne Tucker | Donald W. and Nancy A. Tucker |
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May | | |
| 12 | Barbara Laurene Bengle | Omer L. and Shirley Bengle |
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June | | |
| 7 | Albert Gellatin Markham | Albert G. and Phyllis Markham |
| 7 | Linda Lee Martin | Earl L. and Ruby Martin |
| 14 | Geraldine Holt | Clifford E. and Helen Holt |
| 22 | Philip James Barnes | Philip R. and Josephine Barnes |
| 22 | Ronald George Coltey | Wilbur C. and Rose A. Coltey |
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July | | |
| 2 | Thomas Wallace Bisnette | Wallace T. and Winnie M. Bisnette |
| 23 | Cheryl Lynn Pobieglo | Aloysius M. and Dorothy Pobieglo |
| 27 | Rodney Joseph Labrecque | Romeo J. and Dorothy E. Labrecque |
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August | | |
| 1 | Linda Catherine Hichborn | Clyde L. and Shirley M. Hichborn |
| 3 | Paul Bolduc | Reginald and Loretta Bolduc |
| 19 | Philip Norman Vanasse | Robert N. and Mary T. Vanasse |
| 22 | Sherry Dawn Boynton | Leroy H. and Hazel Boynton |
| 31 | Darlene Alice Auclair | Henry R. and Lillian M. Auclair |
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September | | |
| 4 | Eugene Edward Lajoie | Hughie F. and Nancy Lajoie |

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| 10 | Joyce Lee Clark | Joseph D. and Rita D. Clark |
| 11 | Joann Marie Archambault | Harold E. and Harriet A. Archambault |
| 13 | Deborah Carrington | Elmer K. and Marguerite S. Carrington |
| 17 | Sandra Jean Dunbar | Donald E. and Mary Dunbar |
| 22 | Barbara Anne Fiege | Herbert R. and Rachel E. Fiege |
| 30 | Rene Arthur Labrecque | Ambrose A. and Alice M. Labrecque |
- October
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|----|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| 4 | Joanne Eleanor Sporbert | Everett and Eleanor Sporbert |
| 17 | Paul Edward Payne | William C. and Alice Payne |
| 29 | Christine Beth Gould | Sherman L. and Ruth Gould |
- November
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| 2 | Mary Grace Terault | Leon J. and Ramona P. Terault |
| 8 | Rosemary Austin | John T. and Mary R. Austin |
| 12 | David Socha | Bronislaus S. and Antolena A. Socha |
| 15 | Ralph Cherry Bruce | Raymond and Violet Bruce |
| 17 | Warren Robin Barrett | Warren P. and Louise M. Barrett |
| 20 | Neil Edward Dube | Edward L. and Genevieve D. Dube |
| 26 | David Almon Conkey | Edward B. and Sylvia Conkey |
- December
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| 21 | Myles Keith Farrington | Frank E. and Rachael W. Farrington |
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MARRIAGES RECORDED, 1947

January

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|---|---|
| 4 | Donald Albert Towne, Belchertown, Mass.
Helen Ann Boyko, Belchertown, Mass. |
| 9 | Gilbert Frank Marshall, Ludlow, Mass.
Hazel Erlene Pratt, Belchertown, Mass. |

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February

- 6 Lawrence Anthony Olney, Northampton, Mass.
Josephine Ruth LaBrecque, Belchertown, Mass.
- 10 Edwin F. Chouinard, Palmer, Mass.
Anna L. Crowley, Palmer, Mass.
- 17 Joseph W. Siok, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.
Genevieve A. Jobiasz, Palmer, Mass.

April

- 5 Elwyn Herman Bock, Belchertown, Mass.
Nancy Ellen Tilton, Belchertown, Mass.
- 5 John Stanley Kulig, Belchertown, Mass.
Doris Krayeski, Holyoke, Mass.
- 9 Sigmund Drega, Ware, Mass.
He'en T. Dusza, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.
- 12 Forrest Andrew Nichols, Belchertown, Mass.
Gertrude Marie Becher, Belchertown, Mass.
- 13 Walter J. Zagula, Chicopee, Mass.
Helen M. Kuzek, Palmer, Mass.
- 20 Joseph G. Lesniewski, Southbridge, Mass.
Stephanie L. Gill, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.
- 26 Alfred Joseph Blain, Holyoke, Mass.
Rita M. Houle, Belchertown, Mass.
- 26 Frederick W. Szezygiel, Wilbraham, Mass.
Jennie B. Munice, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.

May

- 3 William A. Manning, Holyoke, Mass.
Eva Lauretta Fournier, Belchertown, Mass.
- 5 John Basara, Amherst, Mass.
Lilian M. (Owen) Gravestock, London, England
- 5 Giles Rollin DeWitt, Granby, Mass.
Dorothy Ann Atkins, Belchertown, Mass.

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- 10 Herman C. Knight, Belchertown, Mass.
Minnie Roselle Paige, Belchertown, Mass.
- 17 John Antonovitch, Belchertown, Mass.
Lucille I. Towne, Warren, Mass.
- 24 Warren Payson Barrett, Belchertown, Mass.
Louise Mildred Joyal, Belchertown, Mass.

June

- 12 Merton Leroy Pratt, Belchertown, Mass.
Anne Elizabeth Forestall, Northampton, Mass.
- 14 Marvin Phillip Smith, South Hadley Falls, Mass.
Cecelia Eddsse Ross, Belchertown, Mass.
- 21 Christian M. Adam, Belchertown, Mass.
Lucette L. Ribault, Belchertown, Mass.
- 21 Stanley Frank Zaranek, Springfield (I. O.) Mass.
Helen Mary Adzima, Belchertown, Mass.
- 28 John Calvin Ouhl, Arlington, Vermont
Helen Irene Eurkus, Belchertown, Mass.
- 28 Joseph Michael Smigiel, Belchertown, Mass.
Henrietta Frances Kajka, Three Rivers, Mass.

July

- 4 David Russell, Northampton, Mass.
Dorothy Bigos, Belchertown, Mass.
- 5 Fred Opielowski, Belchertown, Mass.
Marion Ardell Cole, Belchertown, Mass.
- 12 Walter K. Pajak, Ware, Mass.
Stella A. Kozlik, Ware, Mass.
- 19 Roger G. Boudreau, Belchertown, Mass.
Lucille Vertefeuille, Palmer, Mass.
- 19 Louis W. Szostek, Palmer (Three Rivers) Mass.
Anna C. Rusek, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.

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- 20 Robert Stanton Johnston, Ware, Mass.
Emma Louise Squires, Belchertown, Mass.
- 26 Charles Edward Ayers, Belchertown, Mass.
Bernice Jean Braden, Belchertown, Mass.
- 27 Chester Alexander Wisniewski, Hartford, Conn.
Antolena Helen Wegrzyn, East Hartford, Conn.

August

- 10 Charles John Luszez, Springfield, Mass.
Stanislaa J. Sypek, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.
- 12 William Edward Isaac, Belchertown, Mass.
Evelyn Ann Rogers, Belchertown, Mass.
- 16 Joseph A. Wazoha, Belchertown, Mass.
Nellie V. Wanczyk, Hadley, Mass.
- 19 Roland Earl Mossberg, Belchertown, Mass.
Jean Marie Horgan, Quincy, Mass.

September

- 1 Raymond Francis Dahlgren, Belchertown, Mass.
Claire Adrienne Lamoureux, Belchertown, Mass.
- 1 James Joseph Harrington, Holden, Mass.
Alice Mary McKillop, Belchertown, Mass.
- 2 Philip Morton Hawthorne, Belchertown, Mass.
Eileen Pulfrey, Claremont, South Dakota
- 8 Matthew Zglobicki, Ludlow, Mass.
Emily Bernice Czupryna, Belchertown, Mass.
- 20 Gerard Cartier, Belchertown, Mass.
Germaine Richard, Holyoke, Mass.

October

- 11 Kenneth Osman Jenks, Belchertown, Mass.
Barbara Jane Shumway, Amherst, Mass.
- 26 Edward S. Szablak, West Warren, Mass.
Bertha (Bronislaa) Broton, Palmer (Bondsville) Mass.

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DEATHS RECORDED, 1947

Date	Name and Place of Death	Age		
		yrs.	mos.	dys.
January				
15	Alice M. Campbell, Ware	72	2	29
15	Eva Adeline (Marsh) Carey, Belchertown	88	7	18
19	David Zink, Westfield	26	6	27
23	Anna V. Sullivan, Belchertown	55	11	22
26	Courtney May, Westfield	23	3	10
28	Pinkie K. Lewis Bishop, Belchertown	61	9	5
February				
3	Thomas Austin, Belchertown	74	4	9
11	William M. Murray, Springfield	67		
March				
6	Michael Cavanaugh, Palmer	75	10	
12	Rev. Edmund F. Blackmer, Ware	87	4	12
21	Lois Ellene Taylor, B. S. S.	37	8	12
28	Nellie (Damon) Lindner, Chicopee	80	8	4
April				
23	James Anthony Krtil, B. S. S.	31	7	2
May				
17	Osborne O. Davis, Belchertown	44	7	16
25	William Paulson, B. S. S.	23	7	21
June				
9	Charles Orren Welch, B. S. S.	59	2	11
16	May Redfield Farnum, Westfield	47	3	1
20	Burt Alemander Chadbourne, Westfield	77	8	4
25	Anthony Kos, Belchertown	70		
July				
4	Alexander Petelle, B. S. S.	16	4	16
6	Amy Louise (Pratt) Stone, Belchertown	58		13
6	Elizabeth B. (Quinn) Williams, North- ampton	55	8	14

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August

7	Michael Bobowiecz, Belchertown	66		
23	Sherry Dawn Boynton, Ware	7¼	hrs.	
24	Russell Besaw, B. S. S.	24	2	24
30	Simon Kmiecik, Palmer	71		

September

21	Iola E. Whitman Downing, Belchertown	86		13
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October

12	Daniel Francis Austin, Palmer	68	11	7
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November

3	Walter M. Wadsworth, Belchertown	71	2	2
4	Leo Gauthier, B. S. S.	31	8	21
12	Marcin Dudek, Palmer	70		
19	Charles R. Aldrich, Holyoke	72	7	22

December

21	Ralph Cosrelious Thompson, Ware	40	11	19
24	Archie Bishop, Belchertown	79	2	1

NON-RESIDENT BURIALS, 1947

February

26	Edith (Fisher) Farrington, Athol	75	5	21
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March

7	Mabel Lyman Root, Providence, Rhode Island	71	8	12
19	Henry W. Osgood, Springfield	59	4	10

April

18	Castola S. Colton (Dorman), Springfield	74	7	17
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July

1	Bert Avery, Amherst	76	6	26
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October

28	Dora (Walker) Cady, West Springfield	66		
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November

1	Effie Charity Aikey, Westmoreland, N. H.	85	4	23
7	Mary Ortincia Cowles, Boston	81	8	20
	Richard Justin Rood, Ludlow, Vermont	14	6	15

December

5	Nellie Paige, Springfield	82	4	29
31	Mabel O. Fisher, Springfield	80	6	17

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Minutes of Town Meetings

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

FEB. 3 & 10, 1947

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To any of the constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said
County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places in said Belchertown, designated by the Selectmen, to wit:

IN PRECINCT A, at Lawrence Memorial Hall in Jabish Street.

IN PRECINCT B, at the Franklin School Building in Franklin Street in South Belchertown, on Monday, the third day of February, A. D. 1947 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to precinct officers of the several polling precincts of said Town for the following officers, to wit: a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, five Constables, a Tree Warden, each for one year; one School Committee member for three years, one Assessor for three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, and one Cemetery Commissioner for two years.

The polls will be open at nine o'clock in the forenoon and closed at 6 o'clock p. m.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Belchertown qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Lawrence Memorial Hall in said Belchertown, on Monday, the tenth day of February, A. D. 1947, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

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Art. 1. To choose the following named officers by nomination: two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year; one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 2. To hear the reports of the officers of the town and of any committees that may have been appointed by the town and act thereon.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses listed in the Finance Committee report for the current financial year and act thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to give to C'app Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1947, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the school committee for the year ensuing, and act thereon.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to allow the selectmen to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1947, as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.00, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for construction on Three Rivers Road under Chapter 90 Highways, in conjunction with State and County al-

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lotments, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to allow the cemetery commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemetery at a rate not to exceed 62½ cents per hour for the year 1947, as provided for in the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the care and mowing of the common, the amount to be expended under the direction of the Park Association, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell to Ethan H. Holden that part of the abandoned Amherst Road, which adjoins the property now owned by him, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$114.00 to reimburse Harlan B. Davis for medical and hospital expenses incurred as a result of a dog bite, which he sustained on June 10, 1945, while engaged in the performance of his duties as dog officer of the Town of Belchertown, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the town will appropriate from Road Machinery Earnings Reserve a sum of money for the purchase of a truck or trucks for use on the town highways.

Art. 15. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$1,200.00 and to issue a note or notes of the Town therefor, payable in not more than five years from date of issue; this debt to be incurred for the purchase of certain road machinery.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in making photostats of discharges of returning veterans for our Veterans' file, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a street light on Sargent Street oppo-

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site the residence of Raymond Burke, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate sufficient money to install a street light on Jackson Street between the house occupied by Robert Camp and the last light near the Central Vermont Railroad crossing, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to allow residents of the Town of Belchertown to water trap, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 20. To see if the town will appropriate the sum of \$2,000 for repairs at Clapp Memorial Library, or take any other action relative thereto.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to authorize the use of a sum not to exceed \$25,000, from the Surplus Revenue to meet the shares of the State and County allotments on highway repairs and maintenance under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Art. 22. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at MacMillan's Gas Station on Amherst Road, and one at Keyes' Hotel seven days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-fifth day of January, A. D. 1947.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
MARJORIE G. TILTON

Selectmen of Belchertown

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ACTION TAKEN UNDER FOREGOING WARRANT FEB. 10, 1947, IN LAWRENCE MEMORIAL HALL

Rev. Richard Manwell opened the meeting with prayer.

Art. 1. Chose Mrs. Amy C. Witt and Mrs. Louise Sherman as Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year, and Lewis H. Blackmer as trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 2. Voted to accept the reports of the officers of the town and of any committess that may have been appointed by the town, with the exception of the Finance Committee's report; and that the recommendations be accepted of the Old Town Hall Building Committee, that a committee of three, consisting of one member from the Board of Selectmen, one member from the School Committee, and a third member to be chosen by these two, act as a committee to have charge of the care and maintenance of the Old Town Hall, and that they appoint a custodian who will be in the hall at all times when it is in use. We further recommend that this committee be authorized to expend such money as the town may raise and appropriate for the care, maintenance, and custodianship of the hall. Also voted that the committee for Alterations and Additions to the Grade School be continued and if any vacancies occur, to be filled by the Selectmen.

Art. 3. Voted to act on the Finance Committee's report, each item to be considered as a separate motion.

Selectmen	\$800.00
Town Accountant	425.00
Treasurer	690.00
Tax Collector	800.00
Assessors	900.00
Town Clerk	450.00
Certification of Notes	20.00
Law	100.00
Election and Registration	500.00

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Town Hall	600.00
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00
American Legion Headquarters	400.00
Police	700.00
Fire Department	1,300.00
Forest Fires	1,100.00
Hydrant Service	1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00
Tree Warden	200.00
Sealer Weights and Measures	75.00
Health	800.00
Highways, Chapter 81	4,120.00
Highways, Chapter 90, Maintenance	500.00
Highways, Snow Removal	5,000.00
Highways, Streets	100.00
Highways, Bridges	600.00
Street Lights	2,000.00
Public Welfare	4,000.00
Veterans' Aid	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	21,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	2,000.00
Schools	71,710.00
Vocational Education	1,500.00
Caretaker Recreation Field	350.00
Cemeteries	600.00
Soldiers' Graves	75.00
Interest	25.00
Insurance	4,000.00
Honor Roll	20.00
Unclassified	500.00
Memorial Day	100.00
Armistice Day	50.00
Town Clock	100.00
Public Dump	50.00

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Voted to transfer from the Overlay Reserve Fund
to the Reserve Fund 1,000.00

Art. 4. Voted to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid.

Art. 5. Voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1947, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws. Vote was unanimous.

Art. 6. Voted to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account.

Art. 7. Voted to authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the school committee for the year ensuing.

Art. 8. Voted to allow the Selectmen to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1947, as provided for in the General Laws at a salary not to exceed \$200.00.

Art. 9. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,500.00 for construction on Three Rivers Road under Chapter 90, Highways, in conjunction with State and County allotments.

Art. 10. Voted to allow the cemetery commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemetery at a rate not to exceed 62½ cents per hour for the year 1947, as provided for in the General Laws.

Art. 11. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the care and mowing of the common, the amount to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen.

Art. 12. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to sell to Ethan H. Holden that part of the abandoned Amherst Road which adjoins the property now owned by him.

Art. 13. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$114.00

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to reimburse Harlan B. Davis in full for medical and hospital expenses incurred as a result of a dog bite which he sustained on June 10, 1945.

Art. 14. Voted to appropriate \$900.00 from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve for the purchase of trucks for use on the town highways.

Art. 15. Voted that the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$1,200.00, and to issue a note or notes of the town therefor, payable in not more than five years from date of issue; this debt to be incurred for the purchase of certain road machinery.

Art. 16. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to be used in making photostats of discharges of returning veterans for our Veterans' file.

Art. 17. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19.60 to install a street light on Sargent Street opposite the residence of Raymond Burke.

Art. 18. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19.60 to install a street light on Jackson Street between the house occupied by Robert Camp and the last light near the Central Vermont Railroad crossing.

Art. 19. Voted to allow residents of the Town of Belcher-town to water trap.

Art. 20. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for repairs at Clapp Memorial Library.

Art. 21. Voted to authorize the use of a sum not to exceed \$25,000,000.00 from the Surplus Revenue to meet the shares of the State and County allotments on highway repairs and maintenance under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Art. 22. The Selectmen appointed Byron Hudson for two years and George E. Booth and William N. Webster for three years as members of the Finance Committee. A rising vote of thanks was given to the Old Town Hall committee for their fine

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work. Voted to adjourn at 8.22 P. M.

Attest:

GEORGE A. POOLE, *Town Clerk*

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 2, 1947—7.30 P. M.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To any of the constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said
County,*

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at Lawrence Memorial Hall on Jabish Street in said Belchertown, on Wednesday, the second of April, A. D. 1947 at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$10,000.00 from Surplus Revenue to be used by the Assessors in establishing the tax rate for 1947, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Road Machinery Earnings Account a sum of money to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at MacMillan's Gas Station on Amherst Road, and one at Keyes' Hotel seven days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

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Given under our hands this twenty-sixth day of March, A. D. 1947.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

ACTION TAKEN UNDER FOREGOING WARRANT,
APRIL 2, 1947, IN LAWRENCE MEMORIAL HALL

Art. 1. Voted to appropriate \$10,000.00 from Surplus Revenue to be used by the Assessors in establishing the tax rate for 1947.

Art. 2. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Earnings Account the sum of \$1,000.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account.

Art. 3. Voted to adjourn at 7.45 P. M.

Attest:

GEORGE A. POOLE, *Town Clerk*

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
JULY 18, 1947—7.30 P. M.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

To any of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said County,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at Lawrence Memorial Hall on Jabish Street in said Belchertown. on Friday, the eighteenth of July, A. D. 1947 at seven-

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thirty o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to have the flag pole on the common removed, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$700.00 from Available Funds to complete the repairs on the Clapp Memorial Library, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$12,000.00 for Old Age Assistance, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$700.00 for Aid to Dependent Children, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at MacMillan's Gas Station on Amherst Road, and one at Keyes' Hotel, seven days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this eleventh day of July, A. D. 1947.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

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ACTION TAKEN UNDER FOREGOING WARRANT
JULY 18, 1947

Art. 1. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to have the flag pole on the common removed.

Art. 2. Voted to appropriate \$700.00 from Available Funds to complete the repairs on the Clapp Memorial Library.

Art. 3. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account.

Art. 4. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$12,000.00 for Old Age Assistance.

Art. 5. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$700.00 for Aid to Dependent Children.

Art. 6. Voted to adjourn at 7.55 P. M.

Attest:

GEORGE A. POOLE, *Town Clerk*

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
DECEMBER 1, 1947—8.00 P. M.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

To any of the constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said County,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at Lawrence Memorial Hall on Jabish Street in said Belchertown, on Wednesday, the tenth of December, A. D. 1947 at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for the Health Department, or take

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any action relative thereto.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account a sum of money to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for Public Welfare, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for Aid to Dependent Children, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$116.39 for a bill incurred in 1946 on Chapter 81, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$44.00 for a bill incurred in 1946 on Chapter 90, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept from the Farmers' and Mechanics' Club a building to be used as a waiting station erected on the south end of the Common, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from available funds for Snow Removal, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at MacMillan's Gas Station on the Amherst Road, and one at Keyes' Hotel, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

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Given under our hands this first day of December, A. D. 1947.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

ACTION TAKEN UNDER FOREGOING WARRANT
DECEMBER 1, 1947

Art. 1. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$250.00 for the Health Department.

Art. 2. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account to the Road Machinery Expense Account the sum of \$1,500.00.

Art. 3. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$800.00 for Public Welfare.

Art. 4. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$550.00 for Aid to Dependent Children.

Art. 5. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$116.39 for a bill incurred in 1946 on Chapter 81. The vote was unanimous.

Art. 6. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$44.00 for a bill incurred in 1946 on Chapter 90. The vote was unanimous.

Art. 7. Voted to lay on table and to be taken up at the annual town meeting.

Art. 8. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$500.00 for Snow Removal.

Art. 9. Voted to adjourn at 8.23 P. M.

Attest:

GEORGE A. POOLE, *Town Clerk*

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**Itemized Report of Receipts and
Expenditures**

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE

Taxes, William E. Shaw, Collector		
Levy of 1944, Real Estate	\$167.70	
Levy of 1945, Real Estate	677.42	
Levy of 1945, Personal Property	447.73	
Levy of 1946; Real Estate	7,366.06	
Levy of 1946, Personal Property	1,266.08	
Levy of 1947, Real Estate	52,050.65	
Levy of 1947, Personal Property	10,872.56	
Levy of 1946, Polls	10.00	
Levy of 1947, Polls	1,250.00	
Levy of 1946, Motor Vehicle Excise	243.43	
Levy of 1947, Motor Vehicle Excise	5,535.64	
Tax Possessions redemptions	125.00	80,012.27
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Reimbursement for loss of taxes	1,271.60	
Income tax	21,246.62	
Corporation tax, business	5,600.36	
Corporation tax, public service	107.57	28,226.15
Liquor licenses	2,375.00	
Business licenses and permits	148.00	
Concession, Lake Arcadia	17.64	
Court fines	469.85	3,010.49
Grants and Gifts		
From Federal Government		
Old Age Assistance	21,230.43	
Old Age Assistance, Administrative	784.04	

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Aid Dependent Children	2,035.72	
Aid Dependent Children, Adm.	50.02	24,100.21
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Vocational Education	1,605.92	
Smith-Hughes Fund	97.36	
George Deen Fund	298.20	
Massachusetts School Fund	7,169.89	
Highways, Chapter 81	21,490.13	
Highway Fund	6,983.74	
Inspection of Animals	100.00	37,745.24
Meals Tax, for Old Age Assistance	1,755.20	
County of Hampshire, Dog Licenses	659.94	2,415.14
Treasurer of the United States, plans for		
Center Grade School building		2,800.00
Total General Revenue		\$178,309.50
COMMERCIAL REVENUE		
William E. Shaw, Collector, Poll Tax demands		29.40
Sundry Persons, recording deeds		6.00
Palmer Savings Bank, inst. redemption copies		2.00
Farmers' & Mechanics' Club, use of Common		150.00
Rent of Lawrence Memorial Hall and Driveway		
Lions Club	4.50	
Girl Scouts	3.00	
Vernon Lodge of Masons	1.50	
Double or Nothing Club	1.50	
Robert Johnson	1.50	
Legion Auxiliary	1.50	
Belchertown Motor Sales, rent of driveway	10.00	23.50
Raymond Gay, Sealer Weights and Meas. fees		22.48
Central Vermont Railway, forest fires	19.52	
M. D. W. S. C., fire department	35.25	54.77
County of Hampshire, Dog Officer fees		94.00
Henry H. Witt, sale of highway junk		25.00
Ethan H. Holden, sale of land		50.00
Highways, Joint Construction and Maintenance		
Commonwealth of Mass., const.	13,992.52	
Commonwealth of Mass., maint.	1,000.00	

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County of Hampshire, const.	6,996.26	
County of Hampshire, maint.	1,000.00	22,988.78
Highways, Road Machinery Earnings		
Truck No. 1		
Chapter 81	1,342.60	
Chapter 90, maintenance	106.80	
Snow Removal	732.00	
Bridges	49.20	
Sewers	7.20	2,237.80
Truck No. 2		
Chapter 81	926.63	
Chapter 90, maintenance	119.00	
Chapter 90, construction	451.50	
Snow Removal	129.00	
Bridges	14.00	1,640.13
Small Truck		
Chapter 81	109.50	
Chapter 90, maintenance	39.00	148.50
Tractor		
Chapter 81	505.00	
Chapter 90, construction	13.75	518.75
Plow, Snow Removal		149.00
Bulldozer		
Chapter 81	507.50	
Chapter 90, construction	20.00	
Snow Removal	175.00	
Health	45.00	
Kristian Anderson	80.50	
Ernest R. Lavigne	17.50	
Lester Beaudoin	8.75	854.25
Sander		
Chapter 81	67.65	
Chapter 90, construction	30.00	
Snow Removal	16.00	113.65
Loader		
Chapter 81	88.90	
Chapter 90, construction	6.00	
Snow Removal	22.40	117.30

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Mower, Chapter 81		29.20
Total Road Machinery Earnings		<u>\$5,808.58</u>
Reimbursements, Charities		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Public Welfare	379.50	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,648.57	
Old Age Assistance	19,202.41	
Other Cities and Towns		
Public Welfare	309.12	
Old Age Assistance	1,610.66	
Individuals, Public Welfare	50.34	23,200.60
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Mil. Aid		150.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, tuition of State Wards, payments for 1946 and 1947		11,228.80
City of Boston, tuition	100.40	
Town of Pelham, tuition	125.00	<u>225.40</u>
Total for Commercial Revenue		\$64,059.31
INTEREST		
The First National Bank of Amherst		
Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	175.00	
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	175.00	
Amherst Savings Bank		
Calvin Bridgman High School Fund	113.75	
George D. Longley School Music Fund	31.11	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	385.86	
W. E. Shaw, Collector, Taxes		
Levy of 1944	15.37	
Levy of 1945	72.44	
Levy of 1946	172.76	
Levy of 1947	45.20	
Polls and Excise	9.09	1,195.58
DEBT		
Palmer Savings Bank, Road Machinery loan		4,000.00
AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT		
Geo. A. Poole, Town Clerk, dog licenses	977.80	

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Harlan Davis, Dog Officer, sale of dog	6.00	
Sundry Persons, withholding tax	7,200.51	
Dona'd W. Bridgman, perpetual care Philip		
A. Bridgman lot, Mt. Hope cemetery	100.00	
W. E. Shaw, Collector, water lien added to taxes	31.29	
W. E. Shaw, interest on water lien	.17	
The First National Bank of Amherst		
Sale of Treasury Certificates	20,000.00	28,315.77

REFUNDS

Old Age Assistance checks cancelled	163.33	
Old Age Assistance checks to Tailing Acct.	62.60	
Commonwealth of Mass., Teachers' Annuity	14.26	
Anna Sul'ivan, school check	65.60	305.79

Total receipts for year ending Dec. 31, 1947	\$276,185.95
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1947	35,945.65
	\$312,131.60

EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen

Salaries

Charles F. Austin	\$300.00	
Isaac A. Hodgen	200.00	
Francis M. Austin	200.00	\$700.00

Expenses

Hampshire Co. Selectmen's Assn., dues	6.00	
Mass. Selectmen's Assn., dues	25.00	
D. Donald Hazen, posting warrants	20.00	
Isaac A. Hodgen, travel expenses	29.33	
Charles F. Austin, travel expenses	29.10	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	8.49	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	8.00	125.92

\$825.92

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Town Accountant

Ella A. Stebbins, salary	400.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	10.15	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., binder	5.39	
Postage	.89	416.43

Treasurer

William E. Shaw, salary		525.00
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Expenses

The Employers' Liability Assur. Corp.	53.50	
Mass. Collectors' & Treas. Assn., dues	1.00	
Raymond A. Warner, recording 2 deeds	6.00	
The First National Bank of Amherst, postage and insurance charges	3.23	
The First National Bank of Amherst, rent safe deposit box	3.00	
W. E. Shaw, for recording affidavit	2.50	
Johnson's Bookstore, supplies	6.25	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	6.26	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	5.61	
May Rose Dewey, typing	1.80	
Ribbon	1.13	
Postage	73.00	163.28

\$688.28

Tax Collector

William E. Shaw, salary		500.00
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Expenses

Mass. Collectors' & Treas. Assn., dues	1.00	
Robinson Seal Co., books	14.75	
The Employers' Liab. Assur. Corp.	74.25	
R. H. Smith Mfg. Co., dater repairs	1.34	
Johnson's Bookstore, supplies	4.20	
Hobbs & Warren, forms	2.07	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	55.62	
Jean W. Chaffee, clerical work	18.30	
May Rose Dewey, clerical work	5.40	
Postage	87.00	263.93

\$763.93

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Assessors

Salaries

Guy C. Allen, Sr.	300.00	
Frederick E. Lincoln	200.00	
Edward T. Parsons	200.00	700.00

Expenses

Jean W. Chaffee, clerical work	\$82 20	
Association of Mass. Assessors, dues	6 00	
Katherine C. Ryan, transfer cards	78 30	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	23.40	
The Stoneham Independent, excise cards	1.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	5.25	
Guy C. Allen, Sr., postage, express, etc.	8 10	204.25

Certification of Notes

Director of Accounts		8.00
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Law

Morse & Morse, Attorneys	50.00	
James F. Mahoney, Attorney	50.00	100.00

Town Clerk

George A. Poole, salary	300.00	
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Expenses

George A. Poole, recordings	96.50	
The Employers' Liab. Assur. Corp.	7.50	
The Mass. Town Clerks' Assn., dues	3.00	
Robinson Seal Co., Inc., supplies	6.62	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	21.41	
Postage	14.00	449.03

Election and Registration

Registrars

Thomas A. Austin	20.50	
Raymond T. Beaudoin	22.50	
Roy G. Shaw	13.70	
George A. Poole	22.50	79.20

Election Officers, sundry persons		107.80
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Expenses

Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	54.53	
Robinson Seal Co., Inc., supplies	25.19	
A. H. Phillips, Inc., lunch supplies	4.40	
George M. Dewey, janitor service	3.00	

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Johnson's Bookstore, supplies	6.75	
Postage	2.10	95.97
Street Listing		
Minnie Flaherty	60.00	
Emma Loftus	60.00	
Marion Plant	60.00	
Lena N. Wilson, typing street list	30.00	210.00
		\$492.97
THE LAWRENCE MEMORIAL HALL		
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	57.00	
George M. Dewey, janitor service	6.00	
Central Mass. Electric Co., bulbs	1.51	
Jackson's Store, supplies	3.10	
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co., Jumbo sweeper	14.40	
H. E. Kimball & Sons, lawn mower	24.75	
H. E. Kimball & Sons, paint and brush	.41	
Chamberlain Co. of America, Inc., weather strips	180.00	287.17
AMERICAN LEGION HEADQUARTERS		
A. H. Phillips, Inc., rent	230.00	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	17.05	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	129.95	
L. W. Ayers, repairs	7.00	384.00
TOWN HALL		
Douglas Rhodes, janitor		180.00
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil		324.70
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights		40.85
Supplies		
A. H. Phillips, Inc.	1.48	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	3.09	
Quirk Paper Co.	18.00	22.57
Equipment and Repairs		
Lizotte Glass Co.	36.00	
Street Supply Corp.	38.81	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	3.62	
W. H. Young	28.50	
H. E. Sessions	21.50	128.43
		\$696.55

APPENDIX

RENOVATION OLD TOWN HALL

Lewis Boiler & Iron Works, Inc.	594.00	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	7.84	
Joseph J. Kempkes, Sr.	8.75	
Joseph J. Kempkes, Jr.	8.75	619.34

POLICE

Services as Officer		
Frank L. Gold	148.57	
Emma Loftus	6.65	
Fanny G. Morey	6.65	
D. Donald Hazen	50.43	
Wilfred Weston	18.00	
Robert D. Camp, Sr.	8.75	
Harlan Davis, Dog Officer	39.50	278.55
All Other		
The R. H. Smith Mfg. Co., constables' badges	4.05	
Wm. J. Hogan, M. D.	10.00	
Commissioner of Public Safety	.70	
Frank L. Gold, paid for badges	20.64	
Pernette Bracey, cleaning lock-up	5.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, dog notices	.70	41.09

\$319.64

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Milton C. Baggs, salary, fire chief		200.00
Engine House Expense		
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	100.16	
Central Mass. Electric Co.	71.00	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	247.85	419.01
Sundry Persons, services at fires		99.00
Gas, Oil, Anti-freeze, etc.		
Ada E. Davis	62.78	
J. Raymond Gould	6.00	68.78
Equipment and Repairs		
American-LaFrance Foamite Corp.	28.40	
Squires' Garage	.75	
The Seagrave Corp.	6.10	
Gorman Fire Appliance Co.	3.50	

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Physicians' Medical Gasses Co.	43.50	
J. Raymond Gould	2.75	
William N. Webster	36.63	121.63
Harlan B. Davis, labor	7.38	
John A. Collis, inspecting oil burners	22.00	
Harold B. Ketchen & Son, 4 inspections	2.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	19.69	51.07
		\$959.49
HYDRANTS		
Belchertown Water District		1,500.00
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES		
Raymond C. Gay, salary	60.00	
Raymond C. Gay, transportation fees	20.50	
W. & L. E. Gurley, equipment	4.93	85.43
GYPSY MOTH WORK		
Harlan B. Davis, superintendent	210.00	
Sundry Persons, labor	134.39	
Use of truck	71.00	415.39
FOREST FIRES		
Sundry Persons, services at fires	273.41	
Fire Protection Co., fog nozzle	25.00	
Justin A. McCarthy Co., hose	212.32	
M. C. Baggs, issuing fire permits	40.00	550.73
TREE WARDEN		
Harold Cook	33.24	
Albert Atkins	42.62	
Edward L. Schmidt, Jr.	39.00	
Isaac Hodgen	2.00	
L. W. Ayers, Jr.	1.64	
The Northern Tree Expert Co.	50.00	
C. R. Aldrich, filing saws	2.00	170.50
HEALTH		
Dr. F. M. Austin, inspector of animals		200.00
C. H. Egleston, inspection meat		45.00
Belchertown State School, sewerage disposal		533.87
Care of Dump		
Harold Cook, tractor operator	71.52	

APPENDIX

Ernest Germain	6.56	
Arthur Mayo	6.56	
Charles Gill	3.28	
Arthur Joyal	3.28	
Use of Bulldozer	45.00	136.20
James L. Collard, M. D., toxoid clinics		125.00
James L. Collard, M. D., contagious diseases		7.00
Roy G. Shaw, death returns		2.75
George A. Poole, burial permits		9.50
The R. H. Smith Mfg. Co., repairs on stamps		1.03
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms		3.11
Express		.65

\$1,064.11

HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 81

Labor Payrolls		11,258.57
Trucks, Sundry Persons		2,612.25
Town Equipment		
Truck No. 1	1,342.60	
Truck No. 2	926.63	
Small Truck	109.50	
Tractor	505.00	
Bulldozer	507.50	
Loader	88.90	
Sander	67.65	
Mower	29.20	3,576.98
Stephen Puffer, shovel		1,053.00
Material		
The Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	827.63	
The Barrett Division	6,724.60	
New England Metal Culvert Co.	410.60	
The Lane Construction Corp.	26.70	
John S. Lane & Son, Inc.	166.35	
Tony Gagliarducci & Sons, dynamite and caps	13.66	
Buscroft Shops	9.00	
Sand and Gravel		
Anna Skribiski	133.00	

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Carl Shaw	170.00	
Charles Reynolds	290.00	
John Skorupski	22.50	8,794.04
		\$27,294.84

HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 90—MAINTENANCE

Labor Payrolls		732.84
Town Equipment		
Truck No. 1	106.80	
Truck No. 2	119.00	
Small Truck	39.00	264.80
Material		
John S. Lane & Son, Inc.	83.93	
The Lane Construction Corp.	418.50	502.43
		\$1,500.07

HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 90—CONSTRUCTION

Labor Payrolls		3,131.62
Trucks, Sundry Persons		845.00
Town Equipment		
Town Truck No. 2	451.50	
Tractor	13.75	
Bulldozer	20.00	
Loader	6.00	
Sander	30.00	521.25
Warner Bros., roller		687.00
Material		
The Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	3,711.04	
John S. Lane & Son, Inc.	3,566.97	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	7.20	
Robert Brown, oil	5.00	
W. Zabek Sand & Gravel Co.	115.80	
William Webster, sand	.40	
John Skorupski, sand	1.60	
Peter Klaptowski, gravel	100.00	
Drawing Trap Rock		
F. E. Lincoln	613.16	
C. R. Rhodes	396.63	

APPENDIX

D. Donald Hazen	289.87	8,807.67
		\$13,992.54
HIGHWAYS—STREETS		
Buscroft Shops, signs	16.00	
William Webster, brooms	3.40	
H. E. Kimball, pail	.79	
Henry H. Witt, brooms	5.00	
J. Russell & Co., Inc.	11.90	
E. F. Shumway, supplies	8.00	
The Ryther & Warren Co., supplies	107.27	152.36
HIGHWAYS—BRIDGES		
Labor Payrolls	192.72	
Town Truck No. 1	49.20	
Town Truck No. 2	14.00	255.92
W. D. Cowls & Co., lumber	264.25	
State Prison Colony, guard posts	84.00	348.25
		\$604.17
HIGHWAYS—SNOW REMOVAL		
Labor Payrolls		2,178.25
Truck Hire		1,938.79
H. H. Dickinson, plowing walks		10.00
Town Equipment		
Truck No. 1	732.00	
Truck No. 2	129.00	
Bulldozer	175.00	
Plow	149.00	
Loader	22.40	
Sander	16.00	1,223.40
Material		
Warner Bros. & Goodwin, Inc., sand	102.72	
Chemical Corporation, rock salt	148.60	251.32
Department of Public Works, Div. Highways		320.75
		\$5,922.51

APPENDIX

ROAD MACHINERY EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Gas, Oil, Grease, etc., sundry persons	\$805.85	
Repairs, including repairs on garage	3,240.72	
All Other		
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	300.85	
Central Mass. Electric Co.	38.60	
Belchertown Water District	16.20	
Registrations	11.00	
Inspections	5.00	
Moving Bulldozer	14.00	
Preston Atwood, mower	40.00	4,472.22

STREET LIGHTS

Central Mass. Electric Co.		2,123.29
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PUBLIC WELFARE

Administrative		
Lena N. Wilson, salary		687.50
Expenses—Office		
Vernon Lodge Building Assn., rent	75.00	
New England Tel. & Tel., telephone	26.19	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lighting	4.00	
Postage, P. O. box rent	22.47	
H. E. Sessions, electrical work	17.30	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	3.34	
State Typewriter Co.	4.00	
Underwood Corporation	33.39	
Johnson's Bookstore, supplies	3.50	
Lena N. Wilson, supplies	1.29	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	4.96	
Membership, Public Assistance Ad-		
ministrators' Assn. of Mass.	3.00	
Lena N. Wilson, mileage	38.50	
Lena N. Wilson, conference ex-		
penses, etc.	12.45	249.39
Cash Aid, Sundry Persons		1,011.34
Board and Care, Sundry Persons		187.95
Groceries and Provisions		76.97
Rent		39.00
Fuel oil		31.37
Clothing		19.91

APPENDIX

Medicine and Medical Attendance			
Holyoke Hospital	302.90		
Mary Lane Hospital	60.00		
James L. Collard, M. D.	97.00		
William J. Hogan, M. D.	39.00		
Belchertown Pharmacy	62.40	561.30	
Roy G. Shaw, burial		100.00	
State Institution		1,152.50	
Other Cities and Towns			
City of Springfield	289.69		
City of Holyoke	385.50		
City of Worcester	66.00		
Town of Palmer	41.44	782.63	
Total for Public Welfare		\$4,899.86	
VETERANS' AID			
Cash payments, Military Aid	239.00		
William J. Hogan, M. D.	113.00		
Belchertown Pharmacy	25.25	377.25	
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—TOWN APPROPRIATION			
Cash Aid, Sundry Persons	26,629.86		
Indirect Aid, Sundry Persons	817.92	27,447.78	
Aid by Other Cities and Towns			
City of Springfield	669.13		
City of Chicopee	93.99		
Town of Ware	94.63		
Town of Ludlow	149.61		
Town of Palmer	147.78	1,155.14	
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE			
Lena N. Wilson, salary	177.50		
Vernon Lodge Building Assn., rent	15.00		
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	13.84		
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	4.00		
Postage	12.00		
P. O. box rent	.45		
Lena N. Wilson, mileage	2.90		
Supplies	5.18	230.87	
Total Old Age Assistance from Town Appropriation		\$28,833.79	

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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL GRANTS

Cash Aid, Sundry Persons	20,521.38
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O. A. A.—ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE— Federal Grants

Lena N. Wilson, salary	467.48	
Vernon Lodge Building Assn., rent	75.00	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	4.00	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	54.58	
P. O. box rent and postage	65.17	
Social Service Index	10.50	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	23.24	
Lena N. Wilson, mileage	47.00	
Lena N. Wilson, conference expense	16.65	
Supplies	18.21	781.83

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

From Federal Grants

Cash Aid, Sundry Persons	1,846.30
Lena N. Wilson, salary	50.02

From Town Appropriation

Cash Aid, Sundry Persons	3,239.30	5,135.62
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SCHOOLS

Administrative

School Committee

Mrs. Fanny G. Morey, salary	50.00	
George A. Poole, salary	40.00	
Albert G. Markham, salary	40.00	
The Mass. Assn. of School Committees, membership dues (2 yrs.)	10.00	140.00

School Superintendent

M. Leroy Greenfield, salary	925.00	
M. Leroy Greenfield, car allowance	175.00	
M. Leroy Greenfield, expenses	30.85	1,130.85

Administrative Assistant

Carl J. Peterson, salary	3,175.00	
Carl J. Peterson, car allowance	240.00	
Carl J. Peterson, expenses	10.77	3,425.77

Office Expenses

Rose May Dewey, clerical work	567.80	
Sundry Persons, supplies	22.86	590.66

APPENDIX

Emma D. Loftus, truant officer		15.33	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone		253.16	
Other General Expense			
The N. E. Assn. of Colleges and Secondary Schools, dues	5.00		
Hotel Royal, School Union Committee meeting	14.25		
Sundry Persons, express and trucking	18.41		
Sundry Persons, transportation to Freedom Train	20.85		
Granbard's, patrol belts	10.64	69.15	
Salaries of Teachers and Substitutes			
Blanche Austin	1,710.00		
Bernadette Bowler	2,055.72		
Osborne Davis	1,327.04		
Elwyn Doubleday	824.94		
Marie Cincotta	595.00		
Eleanor Fitzgerald	2,056.25		
Alice Flaherty	1,968.72		
Guy E. Harrington	3,000.00		
Vera Harrington	2,068.72		
Florence Jackson	1,701.80		
John Laramie	2,337.53		
Mary Laramie	1,918.81		
Marguerite Meehan	1,874.97		
Irene Orlando	1,968.72		
Madeleine Orlando	1,968.72		
Sophia Pero	2,150.00		
Kathleen Roy	1,937.53		
Marion Shaw	2,002.08		
Nellie Shea	1,987.47		
Anna Sullivan and Estate of Anna Sullivan	303.16		
Mildred Sullivan	1,968.72		
Ada Tague	2,118.72		
Florence Utley	1,540.00		
Clementine Bianchi	165.00		
Mary C. Landers, music teacher	858.47		
Mrs. James Baker	7.00		
Jean Chaffee	49.00		

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Mildred Cole	91.00	
Ruth Fuller	70.00	
Frances Hodgen	46.00	
Emma Loftus	189.00	
Ruby Dickinson	7.00	
William Flaherty	28.00	42,895.09
Expenses of Teachers		
Reimbursement expense attending Ele-		
mentary Institute	70.00	
Guy E. Harrington, sundry expenses	10.00	
Visual School Report	2.58	82.58
Fuel and Light		
Central Mass. Electric Co.	473.08	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	3,090.70	
T. V. Pratt, wood	109.00	
George Shea, wood	6.00	
The Ryther & Warren Co., coal	25.20	3,703.98
Books and Supplies, Sundry Persons		1,731.58
Janitors and Assistants		
George Dewey	2,190.42	
Roger Caron	50.00	
Robert Fay	80.00	
Samuel Joyal	18.00	
Evans Westwell	12.77	
Peter Whittaker	200.00	2,551.19
Janitors' and Toilet Room Supplies		
Sundry Persons		385.83
Transportation		
Fay Ayers	1,240.00	
Lincoln Cook	1,450.00	
Raymond Gay	3,000.00	
D. Donald Hazen	1,300.00	
Everett Howard	1,100.00	
William Squires	2,000.00	10,090.00
Repairs on Buildings and Care of Grounds		
M. C. Baggs, installation oil burner	250.00	
M. C. Baggs, repairs	253.60	
The Ryther & Warren Co., supplies	639.04	
The Barrett Division, resurface for		
driveways	148.22	

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Carl Peterson, keys	1.95	
William Chevalier, labor	52.00	
Frederick Keller, mowing grass	3.50	
William Squires, mowing grass	34.00	
Ira Squires, sanitary work	41.95	
C. H. Sanford, labor	292.00	
Kenneth Dyer	3.00	
D. Donald Hazen, trucking	6.00	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	2.51	
Peter Whittaker, shoveling snow	7.50	
H. E. David	1.00	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	1.97	
Squires' Garage	.75	1,738.99
Other Repairs and Replacements		
Amherst Oil Co.	33.75	
Squires' Garage	5.75	
J. B. Sibley & Son	10.29	
The R. P. Alexander Co.	9.47	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	6.26	
Louis A. Shumway	2.00	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	1.73	
E. W. Fiske & Co.	29.12	
Valley Forge Co.	7.12	
Frank Petri	5.00	
Underwood Corp.	19.35	
Springfield Office Supply Co.	19.15	
R. C. Gay	.75	
Royal Typewriter Co.	199.50	
Snyder Typewriter Co.	25.00	374.24
Water		
Belchertown Water District	139.24	
Bondsville Water Co.	32.00	171.24
Graduation Expenses		
W. M. Welch Mfg. Co., diplomas	45.64	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	18.50	64.14
Household Arts Department		
Supplies, Text Books, Replacements		
Houghton Mifflin Co.	6.48	
Carlisle Hardware Co.	31.02	
Quink's Market	2.76	

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C. H. Leahan, refrigerator and range	245.00	
E. C. Howard	1.50	
Florence Jackson	7.63	
Aldon Products Co.	1.85	
McCormick-Mathers Publishing Co.	6.99	
Wilcox & Follett Co.	2.90	
American Red Cross	13.20	
J. B. Lippincott Co.	2.06	
M L A Publications	1.50	
D. E. Kenyon	8.10	
H. E. Kimball & Sons, electric clock	5.95	
J. B. Sibley & Son, pressure cookers	31.80	
Forbes & Wallace	1.38	
Belchertown Farms	2.37	
A. H. Phillips, Inc.	75.37	
Ware Gas Co., range	192.50	
Lehigh Gas, installation	14.75	
Lehigh, Inc., 2 tanks	20.00	675.11
Central Mass. Electric Co.		80.00
L. A. Shumway, repairs on oil stove		3.00

Total for Household Arts		\$758.11
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Health

Minnie Davis, R. N., salary	1,024.98	
Minnie Davis, R. N., car allowance	250.00	
Dr. James L. Collard, school physician	200.00	
Belchertown Pharmacy, supplies	20.22	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	2.05	1,497.25

Total for Schools from Town Appropriation		\$71,669.14
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SCHOOLS—FROM OTHER FUNDS

George Deen Fund		
Florence Jackson, salary		298.20
Calvin Bridgman High School Fund		
The Quarrie Corp., World Book Ency.	83.75	
Pro Merito Society, Pro Merito pins	15.00	
Clarence Chatto, honorarium, address	15.00	113.75

APPENDIX

George Longley School Music Fund		
Blodgett's Music Store		31.11
Total expended from special funds		\$443.06
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION		
City of Holyoke	333.61	
Smith's Agricultural School	146.15	
City of Springfield	309.36	
City of Chicopee	348.72	1,137.84
LAWRENCE PARSONS RECREATION FIELD		
Harlan Davis, labor and use of truck	106.13	
Willard Young, Jr., labor	9.38	
L. A. Shumway, sharpening mowers	6.00	
Isaac A. Hodgen, bases for field	15.00	
Webster's Filling Station, supplies	1.20	
Squires' Garage, mowing	3.35	
Harold Cook, labor	7.68	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	12.00	160.74
CARE OF COMMON		
Harlan Davis, caretaker	64.50	
Willard Young, Jr., labor	6.57	
L. A. Shumway, sharpening lawn mowers	9.50	80.57
CEMETERIES		
Charles F. Austin, labor	147.25	
C. F. Austin, trucking and transportation	27.98	
Harry E. Bishop, labor	121.86	
Fred F. Dewey, labor	156.39	
Joseph Archambault, labor	67.51	
Herbert Squires, labor	6.00	
Howard Lemon, labor	5.00	
Richard Henneman, labor	5.94	
M. C. Baggs, repairs on faucet	3.35	
Nattie Dudek, mowing Ty'erville cemetery	8.00	
H. H. Dickinson, mowing South cemetery	19.00	
Milton Stone, plowing snow	2.50	
Pernette Bracey, plowing snow	2.00	
L. A. Shumway, sharpening lawn mower	2.00	
Weidenmiller & Magovern Co., seed	29.85	
Belchertown Water District. water	8.10	612.73

APPENDIX

SOLDIERS' GRAVES

J. J. Archambault, labor	18.75	
Fred F. Dewey, labor	56.25	75.00

UNCLASSIFIED

Lewis H. Blackmer, printing Town Reports	336.00	
Ella A. Stebbins, preparing Itemized copy	60.00	
Raymond A. Warner, recording deed	3.00	
Central Mass. Electric Co., Christmas tree lighting	2.00	
Dr. Henry A. Tadgell, reimbursement for "Army Times Report" and envelopes	15.86	416.86

HONOR ROLL

New England Advertising, Inc., name plates	13.02
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MEMORIAL DAY

Dr. A. E. Westwell, Memorial Day address	10.00	
William N. Webster, soda and ice cream	17.65	
A. H. Phillips, Inc., cookies, etc.	2.60	
Kelly, The Florist, wreaths	30.00	
Jackson's Store, flags	37.50	
Aubrey Lapolice, trans. flagging graves	3.00	100.75

ARMISTICE DAY

Jackson's Store, flags	12.50	
Kelly, The Florist, wreaths and bouquets	49.00	61.50

PUBLIC DUMP

Clarissa Austin	50.00
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CARE OF TOWN CLOCK

George B. Wyman	100.00
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PHOTOSTATS OF VETERANS' DISCHARGES

Schmidt Photo Service	51.00
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PURCHASE OF POWER LAWN MOWER

Weidenmiller & Magovern Co.	414.00
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SEWERAGE SYSTEM

Joseph G. Pollard Co., Inc., castings, etc.	35.68	
B. & M. R. R., freight	1.37	
Leon Hislop, paid for labor and material	65.00	
M. C. Baggs, connecting with sewers	33.25	
J. Raymond Gould, kerosene	3.30	

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A. Giard & Sons, concrete	59.25	
Ryther & Warren Co., materials for meter house	138.83	
T. V. Pratt, lumber for meter house	13.40	
Sundry Persons, labor	385.76	
Town truck	7.20	743.04
SEWERAGE SYSTEM LAND DAMAGES		
Harold F. Peck and S. Belle Peck	14.52	
Cora Steen	15.06	
George R. Davis	20.36	
Edward P. Bartlett and Eleanor S. Bartlett	8.39	
Warren B. Rockwood	7.55	
Sidney W. Wheeler and Mae Wheeler	50.00	
Boston & Maine Railroad	25.00	140.88
INTEREST		
Palmer National Bank	34.22	
The First National Bank of Amherst	59.34	93.56
INSURANCE		
Bell & Hudson Insurance Agency, Inc.	1,691.03	
Star Insurance Co. of America	931.53	
Anna R. Gold	133.22	
Merchants Mutual Casualty Co.	630.74	
The Employers' Fire Insurance Co.	26.74	
The Employers' Liab. Assur. Corp., Ltd.	159.00	3,572.26
UNPAID BILLS OF 1946		
Construction Service Co., Chapter 90	44.00	
The Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co. of America, Chapter 81	116.39	160.39
PURCHASE OF GRAVEL BANK		
Charles F. Austin		150.00
PURCHASE OF TYPEWRITER, COLL. AND ASSESSORS		
Underwood Corporation		131.45
REIMBURSEMENT FOR DOG BITE		
Harlan B. Davis		114.00
PURCHASE OF TRUCKS AND SNOW PLOW		
Blyda Motor Sales, truck	900.00	
Springfield Trucks, Inc., truck	4,334.00	

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Babcock Equipment Co., snow plow	150.00	
Walsh Holyoke Boiler Works Division	103.30	5,487.30
REPAIRS, CLAPP MEMORIAL LIBRARY		
Stanley Newman Co.	2,000.00	
Joseph T. Cazeault & Sons	700.00	2,700.00
PLANS FOR CENTER GRADE SCHOOL		
William G. Upham		1,358.00
AGENCY		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
State Tax	1,400.00	
State Parks and Reservations	127.59	
Auditing Municipal Accounts	419.33	1,946.92
County of Hampshire		
County Tax	6,837.87	
Dog Licenses	902.20	
Sale of Dogs	6.00	7,746.07
Withholding Tax		
Collector of Internal Revenue	2,870.66	
The First National Bank of Amherst	4,478.54	7,349.20
Dog Officer Fees		
Harlan B. Davis, Dog Officer		61.00
TRUST		
Raymond A. Warner, recording fees	9.00	
Belchertown Water District, water lien added to taxes	31.46	40.46
Cemetery Perpetual Care		
Joseph J. Archambault, labor	124.37	
Charles F. Austin, labor	47.36	
Harry E. Bishop, labor	43.75	
Fred F. Dewey, labor	186.01	
H. E. Kimball & Sons, lawn mower	24.75	426.24
INVESTMENT		
Amherst Savings Bank, cemetery perpetual care bequest	100.00	
Amherst Savings Bank, Post War Rehabilitation fund	175.00	
The First National Bank of Amherst, U. S. Treasury notes	20,000.00	20,275.00

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REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS

Clapp Memorial Library, S. Bridgman		
Poor Fund, income 1946	50.00	
Clapp Memorial Library, S. Bridgman Poor		
Fund, income 1947	50.00	
Clapp Memorial Library, dog license		
fund	659.94	
Catherine Landers, teachers' annuity re-		
fund	14.26	
Sundry Persons, refunds Poll Taxes	12.00	
Sundry Persons, refunds Motor Vehicle		
Excise Taxes	171.99	958.19
Total expenditures for the year ending		
Dec. 31, 1947		\$257,154.06
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1947		54,975.54
		\$312,129.60

Belchertown, Mass., January 27, 1948

I hereby certify the foregoing information to be complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Ella A. Stebbins

Name	Chapter 81		Ch. 90 Main.		Chapter 90 Construction		Snow Removal		Bridges		Sewers		Totals
	Labor	Trucks	Labor		Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	Labor		Labor		
Ayers L. W.					\$36.00						\$35.00		\$71.00
Berube Joseph	1,067.64		72.16				84.46		23.78		9.02		1,257.06
Bishop Harry											51.00		51.00
Bosworth M. E.					95.00								95.00
Brown Robert					70.60								70.60
Bracey Pernette											66.00		66.00
Buss Fred	33.00												33.00
Cartier Armand	739.64						214.43						954.07
Chadbourn Lloyd		158.75						34.00					192.75
Cole Richard							39.83						39.83
Cook Harold	877.92		52.80		40.50		114.24		7.12				1,092.58
Cook William					266.30								266.30
Cook Linco'n A.											25.00		25.00
Cyran John					164.30		9.43						173.73
Davis Carl							3.69						3.69
Davis Harlan	249.31						123.09		15.00		9.96		397.36
Davis Walter											66.00		66.00
Doubleday Earl	527.26		47.56						3.28				578.10
Doubleday Guy	502.66		31.16						13.94				547.76
Eaton W. E.					125.00								125.00
Fay Earl	15.36												15.36
Gagliarducci Tony	69.60	24.00											93.60
Garnis John	401.80						3.28		3.28				408.36
Germain Ernest	621.56		78.72						5.74				706.02
Gill Charles	788.02		60.68				220.17		3.28				1,072.15
Hazen D. Donald		330.00					120.00						450.00
Henry Walter					99.30								99.30
Howland E. R.					311.50								311.50
Hubbard Hugh											31.50		31.50

Jenks Kenneth	743.74	274 50	67 24	.....	.....	18.86	622 73	10 66	8 20	897.23
Joyal Arthur	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	848.70
Keyes John	.....	.....	.....	312.61	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	312.60
Kinmonth Raymond	.....	.....	.....	50 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.40
Klaptowski Peter	.....	.....	83 64	6 60	.....	26 24	.....	19 68	21 32	6 60
Kulig Joseph	633.86	.....	.....	220 60	.....	.....	728 25	.....	.....	784.74
Kulig B.	86.92	855.75	.....	30 50	130.00	39 36	.....	.....	2 46	220 60
Lincoln Fred	291.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 76	.....	.....	.....	1,873.24
Mayo Arthur	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	38.54	.....	.....	.....	305.86
Norman Richard	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 56	.....	.....	.....	38.54
Pierce Charles	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46 75	.....	.....	6 56
Puffer Stephen, Jr.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	63 75	.....	.....	46 75
Rhodes Clinton	.....	256 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	320 00
Ross Alexander	.....	428 00	.....	.....	595 00	.....	443 31	.....	.....	428.00
Shumway E. F.	.....	187 50	.....	477 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,702.81
Skorupski Peter	.....	97 50	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	.....	97 50
Smiegal Frank	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	2.00
Smiegal Joseph	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	4.00
Smiegal Peter	.....	.....	.....	101 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	101 00
Smola Victor	.....	.....	22 10	.....	.....	101.99	.....	24 65	6 80	891.97
Snow William H.	736 43	.....	.....	.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	20 00
Squires William H.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 50	.....	.....	.....	8 50
Squires William, Jr.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	66 42	.....	.....	.....	66 42
Stone Malcolm	.....	.....	71 40	185 12	.....	450.50	.....	23 80	36 55	1,694.19
Stone Robert	926 82	.....	.....	70 30	.....	.....	.....	5 74	.....	70 30
Terry Donald M.	.....	.....	36 90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	386 22
Weston Donald	343 58	.....	108 48	.....	.....	563.90	.....	32 77	16 95	2,324.45
Witt Henry H.	1,602 35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	228 60
Wostena Stanley	.....	.....	.....	228 60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	240.40
Young W. H.	.....	.....	.....	240.40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	240.40
					\$845.00	\$2,178 25	\$1,938.79	\$192 72	\$385 76	\$23,275 80

411 258 57 \$2 612 25 \$732 84 \$3,131 62

Town Warrant

FEBRUARY 2 AND 9, 1948

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

To any of the constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said County,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places in said Belchertown, designated by the Selectmen, to wit:

IN PRECINCT A, at Lawrence Memorial Hall in Jabish Street.

IN PRECINCT B, at the Franklin School Building in Franklin Street in South Belchertown, on Monday, the second day of February, A. D. 1948 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to precinct officers of the several polling precincts of said Town for the following officers, to wit: a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, five Constables, a Tree Warden, each for one year; one School Committee Member for three years, one Assessor for three years, and one Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

The polls will be open at nine o'clock in the forenoon and closed at 6 o'clock p. m.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Lawrence Memorial Hall in said Belchertown, on

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Monday, the ninth day of February, A. D. 1948, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To choose the following named officers by nomination: two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year; one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 2. To hear the reports of the officers of the town and of any committees that may have been appointed by the town and act thereon.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses listed in the Finance Committee report for the current financial year and act thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1948, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the school committee for the year ensuing, and act thereon.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to allow the selectmen to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1948, as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.00, or take any action relative thereto.

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Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to allow the cemetery commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemetery at a rate not to exceed 75 cents per hour for the year 1948, as provided for in the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to have the selectmen appoint a committee of three to look into the advisability and cost of erecting a permanent honor roll to replace the temporary one now in front of Memorial Hall; said committee to report at the next annual town meeting; or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1947 for the purchase of road machinery, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the 1948 summer program at Parsons Field for the benefit of the children of the town, to be spent with the approval of the Town Recreation Committee for salary of director and equipment, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to rescind the action taken under Article 3 of a town meeting held Sept. 29, 1873, whereby the Belchertown Park Association was granted control of the Common in concurrence with the Selectmen, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to have a committee of three appointed by the moderator to work with the School Committee in investigating the cost of carrying out the directives of the State Department of Safety as contained in the School Committee annual report, and report to the next special town meeting, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$293.17, which has been allocated to the town of Belchertown, to be paid to the treasurer-custodian of the Hamp-

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shire County Retirement System, under the provisions of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 658 of the Acts of 1945, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$98.93 to pay the bill of Gordon E. Ainsworth, dated Oct. 25, 1947, for surveying, staking borings and making blueprints of the grounds of the Center Grade School, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to authorize the use of a sum not to exceed \$25,000, from the Surplus Revenue to meet the shares of the State and County allotments on highway repairs and maintenance under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 and to appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 from Available Funds, for continuing the sewerage system of the town, according to the plans prepared by Tighe & Bond of Holyoke, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$5,500.00, and to issue a note or notes of the town therefor, payable in not more than five years from date of issue, this debt to be incurred for the continuance of the construction of the sewerage system, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Clapp Memorial Library for the year 1948, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 21. To determine what action the town will take in regard to the use of a portion of the Clapp Memorial Library building for school purposes.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a street light between the intersection of Old Springfield Road and the residence of Clarence Morey,

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or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at MacMillan's Gas Station, so called, on the Amherst road, and one at Keyes' Hotel, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the town clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twentieth day of January, A. D. 1948.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
ISAAC A. HODGEN

Selectmen of Belchertown

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Report of Finance Committee

Account	Appropriations 1947	Expended 1947	Recommended 1948
Selectmen	\$800.00	\$825.92	Chairman \$300.00 Secretary 200.00 Other mem. 200.00 Expenses 100.00
Town Accountant	425.00	416.43	Salary 400.00 Expenses 25.00
Treasurer	690.00	688.28	Salary 525.00 Expenses 165.00
Tax Collector	800.00	763.93	Salary 500.00 Expenses 300.00
Assessors	900.00	904.25	Chairman 300.00 Other mem. 200.00 Other mem. 200.00 Expenses 200.00
Town Clerk	450.00	449.03	Salary 300.00 Plus fees Expenses 150.00
Certification of Notes	20.00	8.00	20.00
Law	100.00	100.00	200.00
Election and Registration	500.00	492.97	700.00
Town Hall	600.00	696.55	800.00
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00	287.17	300.00
American Legion Hdq.	400.00	384.00	400.00
Police	700.00	319.64	500.00
Fire Department	1,300.00	959.49	1,300.00
Forest Fires	1,100.00	550.73	1,100.00
Hydrant Service	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00	415.39	600.00
Tree Warden	200.00	170.50	200.00
Sealer Weights and Measures	75.00	85.43	85.00
Health	1,050.00	1,064.11	1,050.00
Highways—Chapter 81	4,120.00	27,294.84	4,120.00
Highways—Chap. 90, Maint.	500.00	1,500.07	500.00
Highways—Chap. 90, Con.	3,500.00	13,992.54	3,500.00

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Account	Appropriations 1947	Expended 1947	Recommended 1948
Highways—Snow Removal	5,500.00	5,922.51	5,500.00
Highways—Streets	100.00	153.36	100.00
Highways—Bridges	600.00	604.17	600.00
Street Lights	2,000.00	2,123.29	2,000.00
Public Welfare	4,800.00	4,899.86	4,000.00
Veterans' Aid	1,000.00	377.25	600.00
Old Age Assistance	33,000.00	28,833.79	21,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	3,250.00	3,239.30	3,250.00
Schools	71,710.00	71,669.14	82,840.00
Vocational Education	1,500.00	1,137.84	1,500.00
Caretaker Recreation Fie'd	350.00	160.74	300.00
Cemeteries	600.00	612.73	750.00
Soldiers' Graves	75.00	75.00	100.00
Unclassified	500.00	416.86	400.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00	980.59	1,000.00
(From the Overlay Acct.)		(From Overlay Acct.)	
Memorial Day	100.00	100.75	100.00
Armistice Day	50.00	61.50	50.00
Honor Roll	20.00	13.02	20.00
Insurance	4,000.00	3,572.26	3,097.69
Interest	25.00	93.56	100.00
Town Clock	100.00	100.00	100.00
Public Dump	50.00	50.00	50.00
Care of Common	150.00	80.57	150.00
Photostats of Discharges	300.00	51.00	50.00
			\$148,597.69
			1,000.00
			\$147,597.69

The committee recommends the several articles in the Warrant.

WILLIAM N. WEBSTER
BYRON A. HUDSON
ROMEO J. JOYAL
GEORGE E. BOOTH
GUY C. ALLEN, JR.

Finance Committee

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TOWN of BELCHERTOWN

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1948



Please Bring This Report to Town Meeting

Town Officers, 1948

MODERATOR

Lewis H. Blackmer Term expires Feb. 1949

TOWN CLERK

George A. Poole (Resigned Nov. 1, 1948)

William E. Shaw Term expires Feb. 1949

TOWN TREASURER

William E. Shaw Term expires Feb. 1949

TAX COLLECTOR

William E. Shaw Term expires Feb. 1949

SELECTMEN, BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND BOARD OF HEALTH

Charles F. Austin Term expires Feb. 1949

Francis M. Austin Term expires Feb. 1949

Isaac A. Hodgen Term expires Feb. 1949

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Fanny G. Morey Term expires Feb. 1949

Albert G. Markham Term expires Feb. 1950

E. Clifton Witt Term expires Feb. 1951

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Howard H. Dickinson Term expires Feb. 1949

Charles F. Austin Term expires Feb. 1950

Fred F. Dewey Term expires Feb. 1951

ASSESSORS

Guy C. Allen	Term expires Feb. 1949
Frederick E. Lincoln	Term expires Feb. 1950
Edward T. Parsons	Term expires Feb. 1951

TREE WARDEN

Edward B. Conkey	Term expires Feb. 1949
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CONSTABLES

Robert D. Camp	Term expires Feb. 1949
Frank L. Gold	Term expires Feb. 1949
D. Donald Hazen	Term expires Feb. 1949
Milton R. Stone	Term expires Feb. 1949
Wilfred T. Weston	Term expires Feb. 1949

APPOINTED OFFICERS

ALMONERS OF WHITING STREET FUND AND THE MRS. SUSAN M. D. BRIDGMAN FUND

Amy C. Witt	Louise Sherman
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TRUSTEES OF CALVIN BRIDGMAN FUND

D. Donald Hazen	Term expires Feb. 1949
Lewis H. Blackmer	Term expires Feb. 1950
George A. Poole	Term expires Feb. 1951

TRUSTEE FOR HAMP. CO. AID TO AGRICULTURE

Peter Hanifin

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Ella A. Stebbins	Term expires Dec. 1950
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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Raymond T. Beaudoin	Term expires Feb. 1949
Roy G. Shaw	Term expires Feb. 1950
Thomas A. Austin	Term expires Feb. 1951

William E. Shaw (ex officio)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Byron A. Hudson	Term expires Feb. 1949
Romeo J. Joyal	Term expires Feb. 1949
George E. Booth	Term expires Feb. 1950
William N. Webster	Term expires Feb. 1950
Guy C. Allen, Jr.	Term expires Feb. 1951

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Henry H. Witt

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN

Milton C. Baggs

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Harlan Davis

CHIEF OF POLICE

Frank L. Gold

SPECIAL POLICE

Emma D. Loftus

SPECIAL POLICE

(Limited to service on State School grounds)

Paul T. Austin	Leon A. Geoffrey
Frank E. Farrington	Reo L. Terrien
George B. Wyman	John J. Cronin
Thomas P. Feeney	Daniel H. Schwartz

Albert A. Blanchard

(Old Town Hall)

Douglas Rhodes

DOG OFFICER

Harlan B. Davis

SPECIAL POLICE

Appointed to take the Street List, according to Chapter 440 of the Acts of 1938:

Marion Plant	Emma Loftus	Minnie Flaherty
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INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Charles Egleston

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Raymond C. Gay

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND LUMBER

Edwin F. Shumway Raymond C. Gay Theron V. Pratt

FENCE VIEWERS

Edwin F. Shumway Raymond C. Gay Clarence Robinson

FIELD DRIVERS

Rudolph Smola Frank P. Loftus Clarence Robinson

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

H. Morgan Ryther Harry L. Ryther Helena Brown

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

(For Belchertown State School)

John J. Cronin	Patrick J. Nagle
John Davis	Theodore M. Picard
Forrest A. Nichols	Paul T. Austin
John T. Flaherty	Sebastian Dudek
Chester J. Sosnowski	Aubrey D. Lapolice
Alfred Lambert	

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Dr. Francis M. Austin

DEPUTY FOREST FIRE WARDENS

Kenneth F. Bristol	Joseph J. Kempkes
Roy G. Shaw	Louis E. Fuller
Guy C. Allen, Jr.	Carl Peterson
Isaac Hodgen	

MEMBERS BELCHERTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

1948

Milton C. Baggs
Joseph J. Kempkes, Sr.
Kennth E. Bristol
Roy G. Shaw
Isaac Hodgen
Louis A. Shumway
Albert G. Markham
Sherman Gould
Guy C. Allen, Jr.
Joseph J. Kempkes, Jr.
Nelson E. Hill
Carl J. Peterson

Charles F. Austin
John Wood
Harold B. Ketchen
Louis E. Fuller
Harlan B. Davis
Albert Menard
John A. Collis
William Webster
Royal K. Gay
Richard W. Lofland
Harold F. Peck
J. Raymond Gould

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GRAND JUROR

Burt S. Collis

TRAVERSE JURORS DRAWN

Feb. Term

Edward J. Isaac
Earle R. Howland

June Term

William J. Lacey, Jr.
Paul Bock

April Term

Ellery C. Holt
Richard I. Cole

Fall Term

Alden C. Ballard
Howard B. Davis

Report of Selectmen

The Board organized for the year on February 6, 1948, with Charles F. Austin, Chairman, and Isaac A. Hodgen, Clerk. Regular meetings were held each Friday evening until December 1st, at which time Thursday evenings were chosen as the regular meeting nights.

The heavy snowfall and icy conditions of our highways were handled in a commendable manner by the Highway Department. We do suggest that serious consideration be given to provide equipment for plowing the sidewalks, or that some action be taken to meet this problem.

Continued Chapter 90 construction on the Three Rivers Road was carried on under the supervision of E. F. Shumway.

Until such time as we are assured that a proportionate share of the cost of eliminating or widening the underpass on the Three Rivers Road will be borne by the C. V. R. R., the State or Federal government, we do not feel that the town should undertake further improvement at that spot.

The Chapter 90 maintenance and Chapter 81 work was efficiently supervised by H. H. Witt.

Over 50,000 gals. of tar and asphalt were expended on the black top highways. Some new work.

Scraping and 5,500 yards of gravel were used in getting the dirt roads into shape. Major improvements were made on Pine, Sears, No. Washington and Allen Streets.

Close cooperation between Highway Superintendent Witt and the Mass. Department of Public Works has resulted in a maximum return on the limited amount of money expended by the town on Chapter 81 highways.

In accordance with the vote of the town on May 26, \$45,000 was made available for continuation of the sewer project. Mr.

E. F. Shumay was appointed superintendent of this work and began operations August 3rd. Satisfactory progress was made, so that at the present time only Maple, Jackson and Federal Streets remain uncompleted.

A set of wheels and tires was installed on the rear of the air-compressor to facilitate moving it about. Considerable expense was necessary in order to keep the large tractor operating. The road scraper has worn out and will have to be replaced.

After careful consideration and deliberation, the Board, along with the Highway Superintendent, recommend the purchase of a power road grader. An article bearing on this is posted in the warrant.

In October the Board regretfully accepted the resignation of Town Clerk George A. Poole. Mr. William E. Shaw was appointed to fill the unexpired term.

The plans for additions and alterations at the Center Grade School have been completed, and are now in the hands of the Selectmen and Building Committee.

The Board deemed it wise to accept the bid of the contractor painting the Congregational Church to paint and gold leaf the faces of the Town Clock.

With the upward trend in costs of material and labor, we wish to thank the various town department heads for their careful expenditures and good judgment in the handling of town affairs.

To Chief M. C. Baggs and the members of the Fire Department, Chief F. L. Gold and members of the Police Department, our thanks for the unpaid and unrecognized work done for the public good.

Two former members of this Board were called by death during the past year: Peter Hanifin and Paul R. Squires, who as public servants rendered their best to the citizens of this town. We recognize their service and revere their memory.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

Report of the Board of Health

The health records of the town for the year 1948 show the following cases reported: 37 of these cases were reported from the State School.

Chicken Pox	49
German Measles	1
Pneumonia (Lobar)	1
Dog Bite	2
Tuberculosis (Pulmonary)	11
Tuberculosis (Other forms)	2
Mumps	3
Measles	19
Scarlet Fever	9
Whooping Cough	1

The town received three complaints during the year, which were investigated and the conditions remedied.

Under the supervision of the Selectmen, approximately 10,000 feet of the sewer system has been installed. It is hoped that the system will be completed in the year 1949. This will remedy the health menace created by poor drainage in town.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Board of Health

Report of Board of Public Welfare

REMARKS

It has been the intention of the local board to administer the various categories of public assistance wisely and efficiently. Emergency cases were given immediate aid and all applications were carefully investigated both from the standpoint of need and possible resources, in order to properly determine the applicant's eligibility for aid.

The office was moved to Jabish Street in October, which will effect a saving of \$192.00 a year in administrative costs in rent and light.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

The year opened with 76 active cases on Old Age Assistance. During the year a total of 12 applications were received, four being transfers from other towns. There were eight new applications, of which six were approved and two rejected. Ten cases were closed, two being transferred to other towns; four were due to decease of the recipient, and four were due to other reasons. One case was temporarily suspended because of misconduct of the recipient. There were no appeals. The year closed with 76 cases.

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

The purpose of this type of assistance is to maintain a normal family life for children where circumstances would otherwise necessitate the mother leaving the home to seek employment.

The year opened with four cases and 17 children. A collection totalling \$1,331.02 was made on one case. After legal expenses,

the federal and state shares had been deducted, the town's portion of this case was \$129.91. This case was closed. During the year some children became ineligible. There were no new applications and the year closed with three cases and 12 children on Aid to Dependent Children.

GENERAL RELIEF

The year opened with five cases on General Relief locally, one person in Tewksbury State Hospital and one under the Division of Child Guardianship. During the year 12 new cases were aided, two cases were transferred to Old Age Assistance, one case was closed locally and moved to Tewksbury State Hospital, and 11 other cases were closed. The year ended with three local cases, two in Tewksbury State Hospital and one under the Division of Child Guardianship.

Our expenses were increased considerably by a hospital bill amounting to \$680.00. There were reimbursements and collections amounting to \$187.00.

RECAPITULATION

Expenditures

Old Age Assistance:		
Local payments	\$53,369.42	
Other Cities and Towns	1,305.13	
Administrative	1,176.08	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Local payments	4,594.95	
Administrative	41.35	
General Relief:		
Local payments	1,329.33	
Other Cities and Towns	734.24	
Administrative	1,098.54	
Other	15.04	
Tewksbury State Hospital	585.80	
Division of Child Guardianship	528.12	\$64,778.00

Receipts

Old Age Assistance:

Federal Grants in Aid	\$21,770.12
Federal Grants in Administration	754.35
State	20,368.07
Other Cities and Towns	760.88
Cancelled checks and refunds	226.45

Aid to Dependent Children:

Federal Grants in Aid	1,740.05
Federal Grants in Administration	41.35
State	1,349.80
Refund (net)	129.91

General Relief:

State	317.17	
Other Cities and Towns	110.20	
Collections and reimbursements	187.00	47,755.35

Net expense to the Town of Belchertown for 1948 \$17,022.65

VETERANS' AID

The year opened with one case receiving aid. During the year two applications were received, both of which were rejected. The year closed with one case on Veterans' Aid.

Expenditures:

Local	\$305.85	
Other towns	8.00	\$313.85

Receipts:

State	233.50	
Local	12.75	246.25

Net expense for the year for the town \$67.60

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Board of Public Welfare

Report of Assessors

The money to pay the cost of operating the town is derived from:

1. Taxation of real estate, personal estate and polls.
2. Grants, gifts and reimbursements from the Commonwealth and Federal Governments, and from other cities and towns.
3. Receipts of departments, available funds.
4. Licenses, permits and fines.
5. Miscellaneous other sources.

The amount to be raised by taxation was determined in this way:

The amount to be raised in the fiscal year	\$201,368.93
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Other expenses for the year:

State parks and reservations	\$174.72	
State audit	364.22	538.94
County tax		6,982.59
Overlay of current year		3,090.16

Gross amount to be raised	\$211,980.62
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Expected revenue from the Commonwealth

and all other sources was estimated as	75,081.33
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Overestimated state parks and reservations	47.13
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Overestimated county tax	954.63
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Taken from available funds	49,660.39	125,743.48
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Deducting the expected revenue from the total expected expenditures gave the sum to be raised by taxation as			\$86,237.14
Total valuation:			
Personal property			\$329,825.00
Real estate:			
Buildings	\$982,775.00		
Land	487,095.00	1,469,870.00	
			\$1,799,695.00
Total tax levy at \$47:			
Personal property	\$15,501.77		
Real estate	69,083.89		
Fractional gains	3.48	84,589.14	
Polls (824)		1,648.00	
			\$86,237.14
Added assessments:			
Real estate	2,450.00	\$115.15	

GUY C. ALLEN

EDWARD T. PARSONS

FREDERICK E. LINCOLN

Board of Assessors

Report of Collector

Real Estate Taxes, 1948

Warrants of Assessors	\$69,256.16
Refunds	86.95

\$69,343.11

Payments to Treasurer	\$57,021.59
Abatements	242.99
Outstanding December 31, 1948	12,078.53

\$69,343.11

Real Estate Taxes, 1947

Outstanding January 1, 1948	10,597.87
Payments to Treasurer	9,721.66
Abatements	175.51
Outstanding December 31, 1948	700.70

\$10,597.87

Real Estate Taxes, 1946

Outstanding January 1, 1948	1,002.60
Payments to Treasurer	993.60
Abatements	9.00

\$1,002.60

Personal Taxes, 1948

Warrant of Assessors	15,502.18
Payments to Treasurer	12,448.03
Abatements	36.43
Outstanding December 31, 1948	3,017.72

\$15,502.18

Personal Taxes, 1947

Outstanding January 1, 1948		2,636.68
Payments to Treasurer	1,932.20	
Abatements	29.70	
Outstanding December 31, 1948	674.78	
		\$2,636.68

Personal Taxes, 1946

Outstanding January 1, 1948		469.30
Payments to Treasurer	425.30	
Abatements	44.00	
		\$469.30

Poll Taxes, 1948

Warrants of Assessors		1,648.00
Payments to Treasurer	1,506.00	
Abatements	142.00	
		\$1,648.00

Motor Vehicle Excise, 1948

Warrants of Assessors		8,430.16
Refunds		240.51
		\$8,670.67

Payments to Treasurer	8,186.51	
Abatements	344.11	
Outstanding December 31, 1948	140.00	
Overpayment by Collector	.05	
		\$8,670.67

Motor Vehicle Excise, 1947

Outstanding January 1, 1948		370.24
Warrant of Assessors		41.09
		\$411.33

Payments to Treasurer	378.72
Abatements	32.61
	\$411.33

WILLIAM E. SHAW,
Collector of Taxes

Report of Treasurer

Dr.

Cash in Treasury January 1, 1948	\$54,977.54
Receipts January 1 to December 31, 1948	276,419.27
	\$331,396.81

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Warrants of Selectmen and Town Accountant	280,202.18
Cash in Treasury December 31, 1948	51,194.63
	\$331,396.81

Invested Fund

United States Treasury Notes	\$20,000.00
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Post War Rehabilitation Fund

Deposits	356.16
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Trust Funds

Whiting Street Fund	\$8,246.92
Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	3,500.00
George D. Longley School Music Fund	2,427.72
Calvin Bridgman High School Fund	6,404.72
Calvin Bridgman Library Fund	4,207.85
Willard A. Stebbins Cemetery Fence Fund	4,685.80
Susan M. D. Bridgman Cemetery Fund	390.47
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	23,052.70

WILLIAM E. SHAW, *Town Treasurer*

Report of Town Accountant

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1948

GENERAL ACCOUNTS		GENERAL ACCOUNTS	
ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	
Cash		Payroll Deductions for Federal Taxes	\$665.59
Accounts Receivable:		Dog Licenses	52.80
Taxes:		Trust Fund Income:	
Levy of 1947, Real Estate	\$700.70	Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	530.86
Levy of 1947, Personal Property	674.78	Sale of Real Estate Fund	13.68
Levy of 1948, Real Estate	12,078.53	Road Machinery Fund	5,546.53
Levy of 1948, Personal Property	3,017.72	Tailings	143.38
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:		Private Trust Account	80.00
Levy of 1948	140.00	Hampshire County Retirement System	.65
Tax Titles	3,007.44	Federal Grants:	
Tax Possessions	127.04	Old Age Assistance, Aid	.50
State Aid to Highways		Old Age Assistance, Administrative	189.63
Dog Officer Fees:		Aid to Dependent Children, Aid	441.87
Due from County		George Deen Fund	10.51
Departmental:		Unexpended Appropriation Balances:	
Health	291.43	Renovation Old Town Hall	147.70
Highways	76.75	Road Machinery Expense Account	1,149.45
Bridges	174.60	Sewerage System	1,344.30
Public Welfare	383.00	Sewerage System, Land Damages	377.59
		Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	3,019.04
		Overlays—Reserved for Abatements:	6,028.71
		Levy of 1947	1,375.48
		Levy of 1948	2,171.42
			3,546.90

Aid to Dependent Children	428.36	1,354.14	Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Loans Authorized		19,000.00	Motor Vehicle Excise	140.00	
			Tax Title	3,134.48	
State and County Taxes:			Departmental	1,354.14	
State Parks and Reservations	30.04		State and County Aid to Highways	2,241.40	6,870.02
County Tax	721.57	751.61	Loans Unissued		19,000.00
			Surplus Revenue		48,179.82
		<u>\$94,320.49</u>			<u>\$94,320.49</u>
			INDEBTEDNESS ACCOUNTS		
Net Funded or Fixed Debt			Road Machinery Loan of 1947	\$3,000.00	
			Temporary Sewer Loan	26,000.00	\$29,000.00
Post War Rehabilitation Fund			POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND		
Savings Bank Deposit		\$356.16	Post War Rehabilitation Fund		\$356.16
			INVESTED FUND		
United States Treasury Notes		\$20,000.00	Invested Fund		\$20,000.00
			TRUST ACCOUNTS		
			Whiting Street Poor Fund	\$8,246.92	
			Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	3,500.00	
			George D. Longley School Music Fund	2,427.72	
			Calvin Bridgman High School Fund	6,404.72	
			Calvin Bridgman Library Fund	4,207.85	
			Willard A. Stebbins Cemetery Fence Fund	4,685.80	
			Susan M. D. Bridgman Cemetery Fund	390.47	
Trust Funds and Securities		\$52,916.18	Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	23,052.70	52,916.18

Summary of Appropriations, Expenditures, Transfers, Etc.

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expendi- tures	Unex- pended
Selectmen	\$800.00		\$772.32	\$27.68
Town Accountant	425.00		419.99	5.01
Treasurer	690.00	4.51‡	694.51	
Tax Collector	800.00		797.50	2.50
Assessors	900.00	19.34‡	919.34	
Town Clerk	450.00	22.05‡	472.05	
Certification of Notes	20.00		4.00	16.00
Law	200.00		130.00	70.00
Election and Registration	850.00	101.85‡	951.85	
Town Hall	800.00		644.06	155.94
Renovation Old Town Hall		1,162.40†	1,014.70	147.70
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00		275.01	24.99
American Legion Hdq.	400.00		374.10	25.90
Police	500.00	2.04‡	502.04	
Fire Department	1,300.00		1,160.91	139.09
Forest Fires	1,100.00		542.17	557.83
Hydrant Service	1,500.00		1,500.00	
Moth Suppression	600.00		542.21	57.79
Tree Warden	200.00		199.08	.92
Sealer Weights and Measures	85.00		77.12	7.88
Health	1,050.00		1,002.61	47.39
Highways—Chapter 81	4,120.00	23,175.00§	27,295.00	
Highways—Chap. 90, Maint.	500.00	.05‡		
		1,000.00§	1,500.05	
Highways—Chap. 90, Con.	3,500.00	52.84‡		
		33.75*		
		10,500.00§	14,086.59	

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expenditures	Unexpended
Highways—Snow Removal	7,500.00	516.10‡	7,716.10	
Highways—Streets	100.00	71.80‡	171.80	
Highways—Bridges	600.00		552.02	47.98
Road Machinery	4,500.00	523.89†	3,874.44	1,149.45
Street Lights	2,000.00		1,975.57	24.43
Public Welfare	4,400.00		4,291.07	108.93
Veterans' Aid	600.00		313.85	286.15
Old Age Assistance	33,000.00	226.45*	32,715.54	510.91
Aid to Dependent Children	3,250.00		3,107.35	142.65
Schools	82,840.00		81,538.35	1,301.65
Vocational Education	1,500.00		482.81	1,017.19
Caretaker Recreation Field	300.00		200.48	99.52
Cemeteries	750.00		750.00	
Soldiers' Graves	100.00		100.00	
Unclassified	400.00	23.00‡	423.00	
Reserve Fund	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Memorial Day	100.00		89.01	10.99
Armistice Day	50.00	1.20‡	51.20	
Honor Roll	20.00	1.35*	2.70	18.65
Insurance	3,097.69		3,078.47	19.22
Interest	300.00	5.69‡	305.69	
Maturing Debt	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Town Clock	100.00		100.00	
Numerals Town Clock		75.00†		
		175.00‡	250.00	
Public Dump	50.00		50.00	
Care of Common	150.00		128.00	22.00
Photostats of Discharges	50.00		18.00	32.00
Recreation Program	500.00		476.98	23.02
Retirement Payments	293.17		293.17	
Gordon Ainsworth Bill	98.93		98.93	
Raymond Concrete Pile Acct.	275.83		275.83	
Clapp Memorial Library	700.00	4.53‡	704.53	
Street Light	18.75		18.75	
Sewer System	30,500.00	1,093.00†	30,248.70	1,344.30
Sewer System Land Damages		394.32†	16.73	377.59

†Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1948. §State and County allotments. *Re-funds. ‡From Reserve Fund.

TOWN DEBT STATEMENT

Road Machinery Loan of 1947	\$3,000.00
Registered Notes bearing interest at the rate of one and three-fourths per cent per annum and maturing \$1,000.00 annually for four years from date of issue.	
Amount payable in 1949	\$1,000.00
Temporary Sewer Loan	26,000.00

RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS

From Reserve Fund to:

Treasurer's Expense Account	\$4.51	
Assessors' Expense Account	19.34	
Town Clerk's Expense Account	22.05	
Election and Registration	101.85	
Police	2.04	
Highways, Chapter 90, Maintenance	.05	
Highways, Chapter 90, Construction	52.84	
Highways, Snow Removal	516.10	
Highways, Streets	71.80	
Unclassified	23.00	
Armistice Day	1.20	
Interest	5.69	
Clapp Memorial Library	4.53	
Painting Town Clock Numerals	175.00	\$1,000.00

Belchertown, Mass., January 14, 1949

I certify that as Town Accountant I have examined the cash accounts and trust fund accounts of Town Treasurer William E. Shaw and have found balances sufficient to cover said accounts in cash and in bank deposits.

Ella A. Stebbins, Town Accountant

Belchertown, Mass., January 17, 1949

Hampshire, ss.

Then personally appeared before me, Ella A. Stebbins, Town Accountant, and made oath that the above certificate is correct.

William E. Shaw, Justice of the Peace

ELLA A. STEBBINS, *Town Accountant*

Report of Town Clerk

Marriage intentions filed		31
Marriages recorded		50
Births recorded: 34 males, 33 females		67
Deaths recorded: 23 males, 25 females		48
Sporting licenses issued	392	
Duplicate licenses issued	3	
Free Sporting licenses issued	27	422
Gross Receipts for same		\$780.00
Dog Licenses issued: 278 males, 47 females,		
86 spayed, 4 kennel		415
Gross Receipts for same		\$1,018.00
Mortgages, bills of sale, etc., recorded		143

WILLIAM E. SHAW, *Town Clerk*

Report of Tree Warden

Selectmen of Belchertown
Gentlemen:

During the year, I removed several dangerous trees. Our elms were sprayed once. Thirty elms were struck by the Dutch Elm Disease and condemned by the State Foresters. Fortunately only four of these were large, as these trees have to be cut and burned to destroy the beetle.

There is much work to be done with our trees in town, and with the increasing need for more spraying and combating the Dutch Elm Disease, the appropriation for tree work should be increased.

Respectfully yours,

EDWARD B. CONKEY, *Tree Warden*

Report of Dog Officer

Jan. 1, 1949

*Selectmen of Belchertown
Gentlemen:*

Collected taxes on 60 dogs, receiving \$94 on males, \$50 on females, \$6 on spayed females. Handed Wm. Shaw, Town Clerk, \$150.

Picked up 36 stray dogs, found owners for 13, destroyed 23, and sold 1 dog for \$3. Handed the same to Wm. Shaw, Town Treasurer.

HARLAN B. DAVIS, *Dog Officer*

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Tested and sealed January 1, 1948—December 31, 1948:

Platform scales, 10,000 lbs. and over	2
Platform scales 100 lbs. to 5,000 lbs.	9
Counter scales under 100 lbs.	3
Beam scales under 100 lbs.	8
Spring scales over 100 lbs.	1
Spring scales under 100 lbs.	9
Prescription scales	1
Liquid, 1 gal. or more	1
Liquid, under 1 gal.	1
Gasoline pumps	26
Oil pumps	2

I have collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer fees amounting to \$25.23.

RAYMOND C. GAY,

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Report of Chief of Police

January 25, 1949

*Board of Selectmen,
Belchertown, Mass.
Gentlemen:*

The following arrests were made in the Town during the past year:

Assault	5
Assault and Battery	2
Violating Fish and Game Laws	7
Neglect	2
Violating Motor Vehicle Laws	11
Leaving Scene of Accident	1
Assisting in Escape	3
Larceny and Attempt	4
Disturbing the Peace	2
Driving to Endanger	2
Driving while Intoxicated	7
Drunkenness	22
Alien Possession of Firearms	1
Moving Building Illegally	1
Search Warrant	1
Total	72

In addition to the above activities, there was one suicide by drowning and one drowning in attempt to rescue a drowning person.

There were two deaths on the highway caused by improper operation of a motor vehicle. (Ware Road)

Five juvenile delinquent persons were taken to Court and placed on Probation.

All automobile accidents reported were investigated.

Respectfully submitted,

F. L. GOLD, *Chief of Police*

Report of Fire Chief and Forest Warden

Selectmen of Belchertown

Gentlemen:

During the year 1948 the Fire Department answered 61 calls:

12 calls for fires in buildings

1 call for automobile fire

28 calls for grass and forest fires

18 calls for the Emergency Truck

2 calls for lost persons

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON C. BAGGS,

Fire Chief and Forest Warden

Report of Old Town Hall Committee

To the Citizens of Belchertown:

The Old Town Hall has again been used and enjoyed by various organizations.

The Committee was able to purchase used maple flooring, and the floor has been finished with funds available from the building fund.

We wish to thank Dudley Chaffee for his efforts in helping to secure the flooring, the Farmers' and Mechanics' Club for their generous donation, the Belchertown State School for the use of the sanding machine, and all others who have so generously contributed of their time in helping to improve this hall.

THE OLD TOWN HALL COMMITTEE

ISAAC HODGEN

ALBERT MARKHAM

WILLARD YOUNG

Report of Summer Recreation Committee

PLAYGROUND REPORT

The total attendance for eight weeks was 1,896 or an average of 47 boys and girls per day. Altogether, 159 different boys and girls took part in the program during the summer. The attendance was gratifying but not the only criteria for a successful season. A variety of activities, for an age group predominantly 8-13, was presented during the summer. Such activities were reported upon in weekly articles to your local newspaper.

A sincere attempt was made to emphasize that Parsons Field was a "public" playground. Thus, a program of equality for all was insisted upon during the summer. There was a definite feeling of discrimination among some groups of children at first. Throughout the summer it was our objective to do away with such intolerance and create a feeling of true friendship between *all* children. That we did succeed in showing that all should enjoy the use of the playground is borne out by the interest shown in all activities.

The second objective of the program was to make certain that boys and girls realized who gave the money for the playground equipment. (Most children thought it belonged to the Director.) It was emphasized that if any boy or girl stole equipment they were depriving everyone, including themselves. Instead of having one caretaker for the equipment, we had several. It was most important that the children realize that their fathers and mothers had contributed toward the purchase of all equipment for the playground.

A third objective was to develop a sense of fair play and sportsmanship. There were isolated instances of unsportsmanlike activity. Any of these incidents that took place during regular playground hours were adjudged at the time they happened. That they never repeated such activities should signify that for the duration of our program they observed the code "of fair play". Such objectives are merely a continuation of schoolroom procedures. With a continued year-round supervision of youth activities, we have a chance to build better citizens for tomorrow.

The final objective was to develop Junior and Senior Leaders from boys and girls attending the schools of Belchertown. Many young people volunteered to help. Among them were the Misses Barbara Young and June Germain. These two young ladies gave of their free time and abilities in willing fashion. The success of the program is due to their suggestions and cooperation to carry out the various programs. Such Senior Leaders should be hired on a definite salary schedule before the summer program begins. There were several boys and girls who qualified as Junior Leaders. Among them were Frank Towne, Sandra Rhodes, Billy Hubbard, Dave Hodgen, Jimmy LaBroad and Bobby Lindquist. These Junior Leaders should serve for two years as volunteers and if their abilities improve, they should be appointed as Senior Leaders. The ninth grade is the best year to begin training Junior Leaders. By developing a leadership program now, your future Playground Directors will be experienced, able people.

Accidents consisted of only minor abrasions within the walls of the playground. We feel very proud of this record and believe it emphasizes that Parsons Field is "a safe place to play". The procedure of having milk delivered to the playground is a very definite safety practice. Perhaps in a few years this can be supplemented by a playground store.

The budget for equipment was adequate for a beginning but should be increased each year. There is no need of listing your needs as you know them best. A very important need is an equipment and maintenance shed which could be erected behind

the backstop. This will provide for a much closer check of equipment. A swimming pool should be an objective for five or ten years hence. A very definite process of planning additional facilities is necessary. A covered pavilion (enclosed if possible) for conducting crafts on rainy days is needed. Tennis courts and a basketball court are items for future development.

In closing, I wish to thank the Selectmen, Recreation Board, townspeople and boys and girls for their splendid interest and cooperation.

This is but a short report. A complete evaluation of the summer program is in the making by this author. Perhaps it shall be done within three weeks. Thanks again for everything.

Jack Crain

The above report from the Playground Director as turned in to Recreation Committee.

WILLIAM N. WEBSTER
ALBERT G. MARKHAM
ISAAC A. HODGEN

Annual Report

OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION

School Committee

	Term Expires
ALBERT G. MARKHAM, Chairman	1950
MRS. FANNY G. MOREY	1949
E. CLIFTON WITT	1951

Superintendent of Schools and Secretary of School Committee

EDWIN A. COX, Residence, Ware, Mass.
Telephone: Ware Res.
Ware Off. 69

Administrative Assistant

CARL J. PETERSON Residence, So. Main St., Belchertown
Telephone: Belchertown Res., 3813
Belchertown Off., 3111

Meetings of School Committee

At 7.30 P. M. on the second Wednesday of the Month

School Nurse

MRS. HOWARD DAVIS, R. N.

School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD, M. D.

Attendance Officer

D. DONALD HAZEN

No School Signal

5 Siren Signals at 7.30 A. M.

Report of School Committee

To the Citizens of Belchertown:

The past year has been a busy year for the School Committee. Not only were regular monthly meetings held, but many special meetings were necessary.

In the fall, M. Leroy Greenfield, superintendent of the Ware and Belchertown Union, resigned. This was a stunning blow to the Committee, as we were dependent on his experience and judgment, and his spirit of helpful cooperation will be remembered forever.

Edwin A. Cox of New Salem was elected superintendent as of December 1, 1948. We are fortunate in obtaining Mr. Cox, and are sure his experience and training will be a guiding light in our school system.

Many needed repairs were made during the past year. In addition to the general upkeep, the directives of the State Department of Public Safety have been carried out in the High School and in Franklin School. A second means of egress and a new front entrance and door was installed in Union School, thus greatly reducing the fire hazard and improving the general safety of this building.

Two rooms at Center School were refinished, and the insulation program was continued.

Much time and thought have been given to teachers' salaries. Teachers' requests have been given careful consideration; we have tried to be fair, keeping in mind both the teacher and the taxpayer. We partially met the teachers' requests, giving all a general raise with a further increase for 1949 promised, provided

the teacher earns two or more credits for 1949. Even with these raises, we are still below the state average.

We were pleased to hear of the forming of a P.-T. A. It is nice to know that parents are interested in the school system. Also a P.-T. A. helps to bring closer together parents, teachers, and your committee for a free discussion of school problems.

The Committee extends sincere thanks to Assistant Administrator Carl Peterson. His untiring efforts and capable administration have been a great help and are greatly appreciated.

The steadily increasing school enrollment in the elementary grades presents problems which must be met if adequate school accommodations and competent teachers are to be supplied. This past year it was necessary to move the seventh grade from the Center Grade School to temporary quarters in Memorial Hall. At the end of the year 1946, the enrollment in the Center School was 178 pupils, seventh grade included. The past year, without the seventh grade, the enrollment was 210 pupils, with 38 in the seventh grade in Memorial Hall. The first grade alone has 45 pupils; this is far from being a teaching load for one teacher. It is impossible for our children to obtain the best in education under these crowded conditions.

The committee has had several meetings with the building committee and the selectmen, studying new plans for an addition to the Center School. These plans are now complete and in the hands of the selectmen.

There is a state aid bill which has been passed by the State Legislature, and the committee has been appointed, to grant state aid to cities and towns for alterations and additions to school buildings. Under this bill, Belchertown would receive about 50% of the cost of a new building. Sometime in 1949, money should be available under this bill. We strongly recommend that the town accept the plans for additions to the Center Grade School and build when this state money is available.

We request the town to appropriate the sum of \$93,165 for the running of the schools during 1949. As you will note, the estimated receipts from the state will be about \$42,344.72, making

an approximate amount to be raised by local taxation of \$50,820.28.

PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET 1949

	1949	Proposed
	Expenditures	Expenditures
GENERAL CONTROL		
Salaries		
(a) School Committee	\$130.00	\$130.00
(b) Superintendent	621.75	550.00
Expenses: Inc. Out-of-State-Travel		
(a) School Committee	7.50	50.00
(b) Superintendent: Travel, telephone, clerk, correspondence, etc.	898.69	1,235.00
(c) Law Enforcement	23.23	50.00
INSTRUCTION		
Teachers' Salaries	50,947.95	57,000.00
Teachers' Expenses	354.57	385.00
Instruction Supplies and Textbooks	2,360.17	3,000.00
OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT		
Janitor Service	2,687.69	2,900.00
Expenses of Operation	1,347.02	1,300.00
Fuel	3,331.44	3,500.00
REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS	2,571.07	3,000.00
HEALTH		
School Physician	250.00	250.00
School Nurse	1,435.52	1,600.00
Supplies	34.29	35.00
TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS	11,590.00	14,250.00
MISCELLANEOUS		
Cartage, express, diplomas, insurance, etc.	274.06	330.00
HOUSEHOLD ARTS	2,460.51	3,000.00
OUTLAY		
New Equipment	212.89	300.00
and Building Alteration		300.00

EXPENDED FROM SPECIAL FUNDS 390.19

\$81,928.54 \$93,165.00

By unanimous vote the Belchertown School Committee respectfully ask the Town to appropriate the sum of \$93,165.00 for the running of the schools during 1949.

Section 10 of School Aid, Chapter 643, Acts of 1948, requires School Committees, when submitting their school budgets, to include an estimate of the following receipts:

Group A.

1. School Aid (Chapter 643)	\$24,321.00
2. State Reimbursement for Transportation	8,246.00
3. State Reimbursement for Salary and Transportation of Union Superintendent	220.00
4. Vocational Household Arts (Chapter 74)	1,170.00
	\$33,957.85

Group B.

1. Tuition and Transportation of State Wards	\$8,103.54
City of Boston	17.01
2. Smith-Hughes	169.63
3. George Barden	96.69
	\$8,386.87

Total to be expended for support of Schools \$93,165.00

Minus:

Group A. Receipts	\$33,957.85	
Group B. Receipts	8,386.87	42,344.72

Approximate amount to be raised by local Taxation \$50,820.28

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT G. MARKHAM

FANNY G. MOREY

E. CLIFTON WITT

Report of Superintendent of Schools

January 1, 1949

Members of the School Committee and Citizens of Belchertown:

In presenting my first annual report as superintendent of schools in the Town of Belchertown, I am cognizant of the fact that I have been in office one month today. Therefore, I cannot report effectively on the activities of the past twelve months as a participant. However, your School Committee chairman will review the accomplishments resulting in 1948, and I will endeavor to carry on from there.

W. C. Hallenbeck wrote the following in the book, "Community life in a Democracy", published by the National Congress of Parents and Teachers in 1942:

"... a quotation from Walt Whitman:

'There was a child went forth every day,
And the first object he looked upon... that object he became,
And that object became part of his for the day, or a certain
part of the day, or for many years, or stretching cycles of
years.' "

This is the poet's way of saying that personality is the composite result of the deposits left by all the experiences of living. In our complex modern communities, with good and bad influences all intermingled, it is no wonder that we develop children in whose personalities there are conflicts, inadequacies, and negative traits.

We know that if we are to grow beautiful and healthy flowers in our gardens, the soil must be rich and fertile, must contain all

the elements that are essential to growth, and must be rid of all the elements that hinder or destroy healthy development. Our communities are the soil, and our children are the flowers. Our job is to keep the soil fertile and rich.

There must be no guesswork about our garden soil. We analyze it thoroughly, and on the basis of the analysis enrich the soil with proper quantities of those elements that are lacking or inadequate, removing those elements that are harmful.

A similar analysis can be made in our community. In my opinion, the elements that are lacking, inadequate, or harmful can be summed up in the following outline:

An Outline for Action

1. School Housing Conditions
2. Crowded Classrooms
3. Need for Curriculum Revision
4. Finances

1. HOUSING CONDITIONS

Change is fundamental. Whether we like it or not, few human institutions can go on year after year in the same manner. What was good enough for our parents, in general, is outmoded today.

Do you remember your first automobile; your first radio; your first trip to the movies; your first day in school? The oldsters can easily trace the immense strides that have been accomplished in transportation, communication, and education over a period of twenty-five or more years. Our excellent system of education has contributed greatly to make present advances possible. Today education is passing through a critical period. The four factors mentioned in the Outline for Action are pertinent ones in the educational crisis that envelops the entire nation.

Belchertown has a school building problem. Nearly every community has a school building problem. The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is fully aware of the situation within its borders. In all probability, financial assistance will be forthcoming in the very near future. Let us be ready to accept that aid when available. Let us be on the ground floor.

The first question in my mind in relation to a building program is: "Does Belchertown need a consolidated elementary school?" There are plenty of educational reasons why we should build a modern consolidated school, but conceding that we could continue to operate our schools as in the present manner and do a passable job of preparing our children for higher education, as far as their scholastic standing is concerned, we face a further problem: namely, the State Health and Safety code which all schools must conform to. As you know, our one-room schools are condemned by state authorities. The report of the School Committee last year included directives made by the State Building Inspector. In order to comply with the provisions of Chapter 143 of the General Laws, we must provide the following:

1. Running water in both schools
2. Modern sanitary facilities
3. Modern heating facilities
4. Unit ventilators for each room
5. Safety devices for fire

The estimated cost of such alterations to the present buildings would be considerable, running into several thousands of dollars. Because of this expense involved for remodeling what would still be antiquated school buildings, I feel that any remodeling program should be discarded and a program of consolidation be stressed.

1. No grade school instruction can be accomplished with a very high degree of satisfaction if there are more than one, or at the most, two grades in a room. The scholastic standing would tend to improve in a consolidated system.

2. We are fortunate in having good teachers in our schools, but, if vacancies should occur, it would be much easier to attract high grade teachers to fill them if consolidation were in effect.

3. A good consolidated school will attract good citizens to Belchertown.

4. Educational advantages such as a consolidation program offers would increase property values.

5. The per pupil cost would be reduced, because the cost of education of a few pupils in a one room building at present is high.

The small one room school is inefficient and wasteful for many reasons. Our problem is not, "Can we afford to build a new school?". Our problem is, "Can we afford NOT to build a new school, when we carefully consider the health (in terms of ventilation, heating, and lighting) and safety (in terms of fire hazards) of our children?"

2. CROWDED CLASSROOMS

It is a commonly known fact that the fewer pupils a teacher has, the better educational job she can do. In Belchertown, the teacher-pupil ratio in the elementary school is high, and the trend is unquestionably going higher, due to the large entering classes. The schooling a child receives during his early formative years is the most vital to his subsequent development and educational growth. The remedy is additional teachers.

3. CURRICULUM REVISION

No attempt will be made here to describe a revamped curriculum. A mere mention that a subject-centered curriculum cannot fully meet the needs set up by modern civilization will cover the point. There must be purpose behind learning. The curriculum should be organized around the major areas of living. Further program enrichment can be developed through learning aids. The armed forces, with a life and death training job to do, used learning aids with notable success. Bring the radio to the classroom, use films and slides, use more charts, graphs, pictures, maps, and many other visual and auditory aids.

Guidance is a rapidly growing activity in modern education. A guidance program helps youth become capable of solving the problems before them. It will, in all probability, keep them in school longer, which will result in more as well as better training for life.

A question every citizen should ask himself, is this, "Has my community properly organized itself for 'giving a break' to every youth, when the time comes for making a smooth and effective transition from school to responsible adult life?"

The reasons for the placement of the four factors in the order given are chiefly because (2) crowded classrooms will not be overcome unless satisfactory housing is made available, and (3) curriculum revision cannot obtain its ultimate effectiveness unless crowded classroom conditions are corrected. All three factors (1), (2) and (3) are dependent upon

4. FINANCES

The sum and substance of the matter is that you usually get what you pay for. The tone of a community is reflected in its schools.

Do you want to get your education over the bargain counter, or do you want to go out in the open market and bid with the majority? The question is for you to answer.

The 1949 school budget calls for an increase over the 1948 budget in total appropriation, but the net cost is expected to be approximately the same because of greater State aid.

After you vote this budget, follow up your investment. Visit your schools. Your opinions will be courteously received and carefully considered. Education is a community enterprise. Then, it is your enterprise.

TEACHER CHANGES

Miss Mildred Robbins was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Mary Laramie as teacher of Grade II at the Center School.

Miss Lillian Vatousiou was elected to teach Grade VII to fill the vacancy caused by the assignment of Mrs. Marie Cincotta to the High School Faculty.

Mrs. Marie Cincotta was assigned as teacher of French and English, replacing Miss Kathleen Roy. Miss Roy returned to Middlebury College to complete work toward her Master's Degree.

Mrs. Emma Loftus replaced Mrs. Florence Utley as teacher of Union School. Mrs. Utley resigned to accept a position elsewhere.

Mr. Chester Eisold was elected to the position of teacher-coach in the High School. Mr. John Laramie left the teaching profession to enter the business field.

Mrs. Clara Cook was elected Supervisor of Music, succeeding Mrs. Mary Landers.

Mr. Albert Dudek was appointed janitor of Franklin School, succeeding Mr. Peter Whittaker.

PROFESSIONAL IMPROVEMENT

During the past year college credit courses have been taken by the following teachers:

Mrs. Marie Cincotta	Miss Irene Orlando
Miss Alice Flaherty	Miss Madeleine Orlando
Miss Eleanor Fitzgerald	Miss Mildred Robbins
Mrs. Vera Harrington	Mrs. Ada Tague
Miss Marguerite Meehan	Miss Lillian Vatosiou

In June, Miss Irene Orlando and Miss Madeleine Orlando attended the Massachusetts Elementary Teachers' Institute at Lesley College, Cambridge. This institute is sponsored by the Elementary Division of the State Department of Education.

Mrs. Florence Jackson attended a three-week course sponsored by the State Department of Education at Fitchburg Teachers' College. This course is designed for teachers in State-aided Household Arts Departments.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, I wish to acknowledge the splendid cooperation offered me by Mr. Carl J. Peterson since I assumed my duties in Union 52. His help is deeply appreciated. I thank everyone for the splendid manner in which I have been received in Belchertown. It is truly gratifying and appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) EDWIN A. COX

Superintendent of Schools

Report of High School Principal

Mr. Edwin Cox

Superintendent of Schools:

My sixth annual report as Principal of Belchertown High School is herewith submitted:

The enrollment in September, 1948, was

	Boys	Girls	Totals
Seniors	7	13	20
Juniors	19	15	34
Sophomores	18	20	38
Freshmen	20	11	31
	—	—	—
	64	59	123
Eighth Grade	18	25	43
Seventh Grade	24	14	38
	—	—	—
	106	98	204

There were twelve girls and seven boys in the graduating class last June. Of this group, Diane Allen is enrolled at the University of Massachusetts and Lois Chadbourne is attending Green Mountain Junior College; Evelyn Squires is a student nurse at Springfield Hospital and Elizabeth Suhm is studying at the Deaconess Hospital, Boston; Phyllis Bigos has employment in the Telephone office in Springfield; Sophie Jusko is working at Rogers Plastics; Elinor Heath and Amelia Smola are employed by Powdrell and Alexander, Indian Orchard; Murielle Courchesne has a position with the F. W. Sickles Co., Chicopee; David Dyer is employed by McKessons & Robbins, Springfield; Roger Caron has work with Monsanto; Irving Hislop is working for Belchertown Farms; Stanley Wostena is employed by the Lock-Joint Pipe Company, Palmer; Bruce Barrett has enlisted in the U. S. Navy; Paul Aldrich and Mable Tucker are working at the

State School; and Peter Adzima, Norma Doubleday, and Winifred Rhodes are working at their respective homes.

Last April the seniors, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Doubleday, took a week's trip to New York City, Washington, the Shenandoah Valley, the Gettysburg Battlefield and Valley Forge. This tour was made possible by funds which the class had earned by magazine drives, dances, plays, food sales, the Junior Stand and prizes on Fair Day, the selling of Christmas cards and jewelry, and publications of the school paper, the Oracle.

The Senior class presented their play, "A Case of Springtime," last spring and realized a good profit. The play was directed by Miss Marguerite Meehan, senior class sponsor.

The course in Driver's Education has been offered to Juniors. This course is primarily to educate new and potential drivers in the prevention of accidents and to teach them the courtesies of the road. Mr. Axel Manning of the Department of Motor Vehicles has visited us twice, showing movies, giving vision tests and demonstrating a device which shows how long it takes to stop a car at various speeds.

That we may have the advantage of working with good tools, the school board, through the influence of Mr. Carl Peterson, has furnished several items this past year. In geometry, book-keeping and World history, we have had new text books; in social science, a set of new maps has been furnished; a new electric stove, a new filing cabinet and a refrigerator were installed in the Household Arts Department, giving our girls the advantage of working with modern equipment; the Commercial Department has received seven new typewriters. In the Science Department a new Bioscope for projection of slides was procured. New recordings have been purchased for use in the French and English courses. The schools of today are laboratories and like all laboratories need modern equipment to train young people to perform in a modern world.

A great deal of interest has been shown in our school paper, the Oracle. The spring issue was in the form of a yearbook.

This publication was awarded second prize in all-over excellence at the fall convention of the Western Massachusetts League of School Publications, held at the University of Massachusetts, last October. About 50 of our students and faculty attended this convention.

Last November, members of the Senior, Junior, and Sophomore classes, accompanied by Mrs. Pero, Mrs. Tague, Mrs. Cincotta, Mr. Donald Hazen, and Mr. and Mrs. William Squires, went to Worcester to see the Shakespearean play, "As You Like It", which was presented by the Clark University Players. Trips and excursions of this type correlate very closely with the classroom work.

The Iowa Tests of Educational Development were taken by all of the pupils of the high school last fall. The results of these tests inform the pupils and teachers of achievement made. They serve as an incentive to study, promote competition, help to decide promotion and honors, determine the quality of instruction, and assist in educational and vocational guidance.

In athletics our inter-scholastic contests are confined to baseball and basketball. Our school is a charter member of the recently formed Bi-County League. We have continued to take part in the Small School Basketball Tournament at Orange.

This past fall we have been very fortunate in having two excellent young men come twice a week from Springfield College to supervise a program of physical education for all of the pupils who desired to participate in such activities.

Virginia Booth and Betty Bishop attended 'Girls' State, and William Russell and Francis Loftus attended Boys' State last summer. We wish to thank the civic and patriotic organizations that sponsored these young people.

Thanks are due to the Lions Club for the generous Scholarship awarded at the June Commencement to a meritorious senior student to further her education. We also appreciate the essay awards given by this organization.

The entire faculty are members of the Massachusetts Teachers Federation, the Hampden County Teachers Association, and the

National Education Association. Membership in these organizations helps teachers in the development of their programs, and the solution of their educational problems.

A majority of the teachers have taken educational courses during the past school year or during the 1948 summer session or have enriched their experiences by travel.

The overcrowded condition of our building continues to grow more serious. The auditorium, which plays a large part in high school activities, houses the seventh grade at the present time. Because of this, there is little opportunity for assemblies, oratorical experience, or dramatic practice during the regular school day. Since about eighty per cent of our students commute and must leave directly at the close of school, there is little opportunity to develop this phase of our school life.

When the auditorium is used for social functions in the evening, the desks for grade seven must be removed and returned to the hall before the opening of school the next morning.

We now have a music supervisor but since our piano is in the auditorium, it means disrupting the various classes to give each group an opportunity to participate.

We were very sorry to lose Miss Kathleen Roy and Mr. John Laramie from our faculty last June. Their positions have been taken by Mrs. Marie Cincotta, who taught grade seven last year, and Mr. Chester Eisold, who formerly taught and coached athletics at Monson Academy.

The students and faculty regret the resignation of Mr. M. Leroy Greenfield as Superintendent of Schools. We are grateful to him for all that he has done to improve the school during the time he has served here. Our best wishes go to him and his family for future happiness.

The students and teachers wish to welcome you, Mr. Cox, as our new Superintendent of Schools. We hope that our association will be pleasant, helpful, and successful.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) GUY E. HARRINGTON

Principal of the High School

Report of Household Arts Supervisor

Mr. Edwin A. Cox,
Superintendent of Schools
Dear Mr. Cox:

The Household Arts Department continues to be extremely grateful to the School committee and the administration, because of their concern for our needs. At the end of the last school year, Mr. Leahan of Ware delivered and installed the second of a series of new electric ranges and refrigerators. This, we understand, is in accordance with an agreement between the dealer and the School Committee. The new Kelvinator stove and refrigerator are a joy to both instructor and pupils. The girls now have the privilege of working with the latest types of equipment. A new White electric sewing machine has also been ordered, and will soon be delivered, replacing a worn-out pedal model of the same make.

For some time, our large "filing cabinet," used to hold the girls' individual sewing projects and equipment, has been in very bad condition. The boxes were of cardboard construction, had been often repaired down the years, and had become badly broken and incapable of further repair. To replace the rack looked impossible without a very large outlay. This year, Richard Camp has made new wooden drawers, repaired the rack, and made the whole unit better than when it was new. The result is an amazingly improved room, at a cost to the town far under any price of catalogued racks. We are fortunate that Mr. Camp has set up a cabinet-making shop in town.

The Farmers and Mechanics Club awarded the girls a complimentary prize for their exhibit at the Belchertown Fair. This money, combined with that which they won last year, very nearly paid for new curtains, which add greatly to the appearance of the room.

The number of high-school girls in Household Arts this year is slightly smaller than last. The chief reason for this is that more girls are planning to go to college and find it impossible to combine the Household Arts with the college-preparatory requirements. The enrollment is seven Sophomores and seven Freshmen. Twenty-four Eighth-Grade girls take the course. The total in the three courses is 38, against 36 a year ago.

In the Eighth Grade, our goal is to teach the girls as many of the fundamentals of cooking and sewing as possible, recognizing that it is for many of them their first and last chance to get the instruction as part of their public education. In sewing they learn how to operate all the machines, and to use commercial patterns. They have made aprons and are now working on blouses. The preparation of breakfasts and simpler luncheon and dinner dishes is stressed in cooking. These girls learn the use of the ranges and are instructed in proper food preservation.

During the Freshman year, the girls continue their work on cotton and rayon materials, making blouses, skirts, and dresses. They also have lessons in repairing and mending clothing. Their studies in foods are concentrated on food values, balancing the requirements for the average family and the preparation of well-balanced meals.

The Sophomore girls continue with their foods classes, culminating in the dinner given to the Superintendent and the Advisory Board. In sewing, they are expected to make woolen garments such as skirts and jackets. Mrs. Davis, the school nurse, is again assisting in the Home Nursing Course, which is now being received with great enthusiasm by all the girls.

In May of last year the girls all participated in a fashion show presented at a girls' assembly for the whole school.

Hot lunches are still served at cost to those high-school teachers

and pupils who desire them.

I believe I should repeat a paragraph from the 1947 report, because I know how important it is that we should keep the matter in mind:

"It is to be hoped that provision will be made in the proposed addition to the Center Grade School for the preparation and serving of hot lunches to all the pupils there. Children of that age group, most of whom come to school on buses, are greatly in need of warm lunches. The whole matter of suitable lunchroom equipment in all the schools is one which deserves careful study in the cause of safe nutrition."

This department has said good-bye to former Superintendent Greenfield with sincere regret. He has always been extremely helpful and most interested in our work and problems. We look forward to many pleasant associations with his successor.

I feel fortunate to have been able to work with people so anxious to help forward Household Arts as the school officials and townspeople here have always been. Thank you all again.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE N. JACKSON

January 10, 1949

Report of School Nurse

Dear Mr. Cox:

I herewith submit my fourth annual report as School Nurse in the Belchertown Schools.

Good health is the most precious possession we have. A good health program in the schools is very important, because it stresses importance of good health to the individual and to society as a whole. To make such a program more effective I feel that both the High School and Elementary School Curriculums should include concrete provisions for health education. This phase of the educational program should be under the supervision of the school nurse.

This year, as in previous years, the same pattern has been followed in regard to the health program. A great deal of time is spent in fulfilling routine requirements. These requirements include: general health inspection, eye and ear testing, weighing and measuring, exclusion and transportation of ill children to their homes and checking on pupils absent because of illness. Whenever possible, time is spent in follow-up work and home visitation. It is unfortunate that there is not more time available to carry on this latter phase of the nursing program.

This fall I spent three days at a state-sponsored Workshop for School Nurses. At this conference I received instruction and guided experience in the use of the State recommended equipment for group and individual testing of ears and individual testing of eyes. This equipment is used in our schools but must be borrowed from the State and therefore the time available for

its use is greatly restricted. A more thorough and efficient examination could be given if more time could be spent in the re-testing program. In this connection, it may be worth while to note that many small communities own this equipment through the generosity of local organizations or the local Health Department.

Through the kindness of Dr. Henry A. Tadgell, Belchertown State School, and the American Red Cross, equipment has been loaned to us for our second class in Home Nursing. There are seven Sophomore girls enroled this year. These girls all seem very enthused with this work and it is a pleasure to teach this course.

It is generally agreed that treatment in school should be limited to first-aid care of injuries and sudden illness occurring during school hours. Although parents should be encouraged to assume responsibility for securing medical care for their children, it is sometimes necessary for the nurse to explain the need for such care. In case of accidents or injuries occurring on the way to and from school, in the school, or on the school grounds, the nurse or a teacher gives first-aid. Responsibility for injuries or accidents occurring in the home or out of school rests with the family. Secondary dressings are not the responsibility of the school personnel.

I would like again to express, through this report, my appreciation to all the parents, who have so faithfully cooperated with me this year. It is very gratifying to me to note that each year more parents are becoming aware of the importance of not sending children to school if there is any evidence of ill health. A sick child in school is endangering the health of the rest of his schoolmates, and is also not receiving the proper care and treatment to insure a well child.

Respectfully submitted,

MINNIE N. DAVIS, R. N.

School Financial Report

CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

GENERAL CONTROL

School Committee		
Salaries	\$130.00	
Expenses	7.50	137.50
Superintendent of Schools		
Salary	621.75	
Expenses—including in and out-of-state travel, clerk, postage, telephone and stationery	898.69	
Law Enforcement	23.23	1,543.67

INSTRUCTION

Teachers' Salaries	50,947.95	
Teachers' Expense	354.57	
Instructional Supplies	2,360.17	53,662.69

OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT

Janitor Service	2,687.69	
Operation of Expense:		
Supplies—electricity, telephone	1,347.02	
Fuel	3,331.44	7,366.15

MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT

Repairs and Replacements	2,571.07	2,571.07
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AUXILIARY AGENCIES

Promotion of Health	1,719.81	
Transportation of Pupils	11,590.00	

Miscellaneous	274.06	13,583.87
NEW EQUIPMENT	212.89	212.89
HOUSEHOLD ARTS	2,460.51	2,460.51

Total Expenditure from Appropriation		\$81,538.35
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From Special Funds:

George Barden	169.63	
Smith-Hughes	194.05	
Longley Music	26.51	390.19

TOTAL COST OF SCHOOLS		\$81,928.54
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RECEIPTS

Appropriation	82,840.00	
Available Funds	390.19	83,230.19

BALANCE RETURNED TO TOWN		\$1,301.65
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RECEIPTS—Paid to the Town of Belcher-
town from other sources than local taxation:

Department of Public Welfare, State Wards	8,103.54	
City (Boston) Wards	17.01	
State—School Fund, Part I (Teachers' Salaries)	8,210.00	
State—School Fund, Part II	7,444.01	
Household Arts Reimbursement	1,170.85	
Transportation Reimbursement	8,246.00	
Superintendent's Reimbursement for salary,		
Transportation of Union Superintendent	220.00	33,411.41

RECAPITULATION

Total cost of Schools		\$81,928.54
Reimbursement from State	\$33,411.41	
Used from Available Funds	390.19	33,801.60

Actual Cost to the Town of Belchertown		\$48,126.94
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In 1947, the Actual Cost to Town of Belchertown was \$42,527.60

ENROLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1948

SCHOOL	GRADES												TOTALS
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Center	45	35	34	34	30	35							213
Franklin	13	12	11	4	11	14	9						74
Liberty	4	1	3	3	3	4							18
Union	5	6	6	2									19
High								38	41	30	37	34	199
	67	54	54	43	44	53	47	41	30	37	34	19	523

School Calendar

1949

January 3—Monday, Schools open

February 25-March 7—Winter Vacation

April 29-May 9—Spring Vacation

June 17—Elementary Schools close

June 24—High School closes

September 7—Schools open

December 23 (noon)—Schools close for Christmas

January 3, 1950—Schools open

HOLIDAYS

February 22

April 15 and 19

May 30

October 12

November 11, 24 and 25

Commencement
OF THE
BELCHERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

June 17

1948

Lawrence Memorial Hall

8:00 P. M.

Graduates

Peter John Adzima
Paul Elliotte Aldrich
Diane Marie Allen
Bruce McCally Barrett
Phyllis June Bigos
Joseph Roger Caron
Lois Ann Chadbourne
Marie Therese Courchesne
Norma Louise Doubleday
David Arthur Dyer

Elinor Gertrude Heath
Irving Robert Hislop
Sophie Mary Jusko
Winifred Louise Rhodes
Amelia Cecile Smola
Evelyn Louise Squires
Elizabeth Edeana Suhm
Mable Jane Tucker
Stanley Joseph Wostena

Program

Processional		Miss Gloria Wildey Miss Susan Squires Accompanists
Invocation		Reverend Joseph T. Collins
Songs	Bless This House <i>May H. Brahe</i> Nightfall <i>Franz Liszt</i>	Girls' Chorus Senior Girls
Salutatory		Amelia Cecile Smola
Piano Solo	Sonata Pathetique <i>Beethoven</i>	Lois Chadbourne
Song	The Bells of St. Mary's <i>A. Emmett Adams</i>	School Chorus
Valedictory		Sophie Mary Jusko
Song	Fair Land of Freedom <i>Gustave Klemm</i>	Senior Class
Emory F. Munsell Award		Reverend Richard Manwell
Duet	In the Garden of Tomorrow <i>Jessie L. Depper</i>	Diane Allen Elinor Heath
Presentation of Class to School Committee		Guy E. Harrington Principal of High School
Awarding of Diplomas		Mr. Albert Markham Chairman School Committee
Song	The Lord Bless You and Keep You <i>Peter C. Luthin</i>	Special Chorus
Benediction		Reverend William J. Delaney

RECEPTION

SCHOOL PERSONNEL AS OF JAN. 1, 1949

Name	Position	Institution Attended	Year App.
Edwin A. Cox	Superintendent	Washington State Normal, Boston University, University of Maine	1948
Carl J. Peterson	Administrative Assistant	Fitchburg State Teachers College and Boston University	1937
Clara Cook	Music Supervisor	Skidmore School of Music	1948
HIGH SCHOOL			
Guy E. Harrington	Principal High School, Grade 7 & 8	Boston University	1943
Elwyn J. Doubleday	Science and Mathematics	University of Massachusetts	1947
Chester B. Eisold	Mathematics, Social Science, Coach	American International College	1948
Marie A. Cincotta	English and French	Radcliffe College	1947
Marguerite Meehan	Commercial Subjects	American International College	1946
Sophia M. Pero	Latin and English	Pembroke College	1941
Ada W. Tague	Social Studies	Iowa State College	1946
Florence Jackson	Household Arts - Science	Boston Domestic School	1946
Bernadette Bowler	Grade 8	Westfield Normal School	1942
Lillian Vatousiou	Grade 7	American International College	1948
CENTER SCHOOL			
Marion K. Shaw	Assistant Principal and Grade 6	Summer School Hyannis and North Adams Normal School	1926
Irene B. Orlando	Grade 1	Summer School, Fitchburg Normal School	1917
Mildred Robbins	Grade 2	Lesley Normal	1948
Alice Flaherty	Grade 3	Summer School and Extension Courses University of Mass.	1922
Vera Harrington	Grade 4	Summer School, University of Vermont	1941
Madeleine R. Orlando	Grade 5	Summer School, Fitchburg Normal School	1924
FRANKLIN SCHOOL			
Eleanor Fitzgerald	Principal and Grades 1-3	North Adams Normal School	1931
Nellie G. Shea	Grades 4 and 5	University Extension Courses	1901
Mildred Sullivan	Grades 6 and 7	North Adams Normal School	1943
LIBERTY SCHOOL			
Blanche Austin	Grades 1-6	North Adams Normal School	1947
Emma Loftus	Grades 1-4	UNION SCHOOL Bay Path	1948

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List of Jurors

Ayers, Lafayette W.	Bus Driver	Federal St.
Baggs, Robert N.	Farmer	C. Walker St.
Butler, Bertram A.	Engineer	No. Main St.
Chadbourn, Lloyd C.	Oil Products	No. Main St.
Chaffee, Dudley	Asst. Mgr.	Maple St.
Conkey, Harry W.	Farmer	Kimball St.
Farley, Frederick D.	Engineer	Cottage St.
Flaherty, John T.	Farmer	No. Main St.
Grout, Karl E.	Time Study	Federal St.
Keyes, Michael V.	Lathe Operator	Keyes St.
Knight, Howard W.	Guard	Everett Ave.
Loftus, Frank P.	Farmer	Springfield Rd.
McPhee, Daniel W.	Herdsman	Main St.
McKillop, James M.	Clerk	State St.
Rhodes, Charles M.	Engineer	W. Wright St.
Rys, John	Painter	Franklin St.
Sessions, Harry E.	Electrician	Federal St.
Webster, William N.	Filling Station	Federal St.
Wheeler, Nelson A.	Orchardist	So. Liberty St.

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Statistical Report of Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED, 1948

Date	Name	Parents
January		
1	Kathleen Noella Hubbard	Lyman and Cora Hubbard
4	Michael Stephen Mathras, Jr.	Michael S. and Mary Mathras
4	Paul Claron Cook	John C. and Shirley Cook
18	David Francis Supczak	Stanley M. and Sophie H. Supczak
19	Ralph Davis Dooley, Jr.	Ralph D. and Virginia A. Dooley
24	Maryann Brennen	Arthur H. and Dorothy Brennen
30	Gretchen Ellen Bock	Elwyn H. and Nancy E. Bock
February		
2	Patricia Ann Zglobicki	Michael J. and Emily B. Zglobicki
5	Jeanne Patricia McKillop	James and Viola McKillop
5	Joanne Noreen McKillop	James and Viola McKillop
6	Marie-Louise Pratt	Merton L. and Anne F. Pratt
8	Barbara Ann Chevalier	William J. and Harriet E. Chevalier
13	Bonnie Lee Opielowski	Fred and Marion Opielowski
16	Raymond Snowden	Lloyd and Josephine Snowden

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March

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| 3 | Joy Leona Samborski | Frank and Eva Samborski |
| 4 | Anne Louise Crimmins | Stephen and Josephine Crimmins |
| 18 | Bernard Frank Trombley | Honore Bernard and Catherine Charlotte Rauh Trombley |
| 21 | Edward John Isaac | William and Evelyn Isaac |
| 25 | Darryl Scott Brittin | Robert and Marcia Brittin |

April

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| 2 | Henry William Whidden | Roy and Elizabeth Whidden |
| 9 | Leita Jean Hulmes | Jack and Jean Hulmes |
| 13 | Susan Deborah Simmons | Chauncy and Phyllis Simmons |
| 13 | Robert Laurant Moore | Walter, Jr., and Shirley Moore |
| 19 | Michael Paul Austin | Joseph F. and Claire Austin |
| 20 | Robert Alan Ferez | William and Rose Ferez |
| 21 | Harold Gregory Ketchen | Gould and Charlotte Ketchen |
| 26 | Richard Miller Hawkins | Kenneth and Ethel Hawkins |

May

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| 3 | Gary Douglas Ruel | Albert and Aldea Ruel |
| 19 | Harold Albert Gouvin | Albert and Bertha Gouvin |
| 19 | Martha Jean Mercier | Joseph and Theodocia Mercier |
| 20 | Carolyn Ann Lysik | Stanley and Nellie Lysik |
| 21 | Richard James Plowucha | John and Mildred Plowucha |
| 21 | William Ira Shattuck, Jr. | William and Winifred Shattuck |
| 29 | Thomas Hamilton Fuller | Louis and Ruth Fuller |
| 23 | Marsha Louise Henrichon | Sidney and Gloria Henrichon |

June

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| 9 | Lawrence Glenn Tucker | Nathan and Ruthella Tucker |
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- 16 Richard Francis Greene
Hubert Francis and Jennie Theresa Banas Greene
19 Judith Edna Dewhurst Albert and Eleanor Dewhurst

July

- 5 Gabrielle Young
John Francis and Florence G. Perullo Young
11 Linda Louise Towne
Donald Albert and Helen A. Boyko Towne
16 Peter Michael Hoffman
John Charles and Dorothy Pizer Hoffman
19 William Whitney Baker
James Bernard and Geraldine H. Hervieux Baker
22 Paul Francis Austin
Paul T. and Margaret T. Sullivan Austin

August

- 5 Peter Gary Matheson
Douglas George and Margaret Richardson Matheson
16 Ronald John Charest
Ronald J. and Fern Butler Charest
20 Carolyn May Handlowich
William G. and Alice E. Smith Handlowich
29 Mary Frances Maciarelo
Anthony Joseph and Frances Marie Coffy Maciarelo

September

- 2 Dorris Muriel Lajoie
Hughie F. and Nancy Carter Lajoie
6 Charles Edward Ayers, Jr.
Charles E. and Bernice Jane Braden Ayers
16 Pamela Jane Zync
John Peter and Dorothy Tetreault Zync

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- 30 Nancy Ann Beaudoin
Raymond Treffle and Catherine Ahearn Beaudoin

October

- 2 William Arthur Delaney
William, Jr., and Dorris Ruth Hill Delaney
- 9 Gloria Ann Garvan
John Joseph and Ada Dorothy Lizak Garvan
- 30 Ernest Morse Gay, Jr.
Ernest Morse and Loretta Murry Gay

November

- 1 Suzan Mineau Oscar and Stella Burchfiel Mineau
- 3 Patricia Lee White
Robert Amos and Grace Evelyn Dodge White
- 7 Susan Marie Cote
Raymond and Armandine Houle Cote
- 8 Glenn Raymond Butler
Bertram Raymond and Evelyn Louise Stone Butler
- 10 Frederick Merton Alden
Merton Frederick and Alice Marie Young Alden
- 13 Cheryl Anne Fountain
Harold Dryden and Rita Marie Gouvin Fountain
- 16 Carol Rose Dana
Raymond George and Veronica Smola Dana
- 20 William Gately Foss
Thomas Walker and Anne Judith Gately Foss

December

- 8 Richard James Adam
Max Christian and Lucette Louise Ribault Adam
- 12 Burbank Theodore John and Rosalie Renaldi Burbank
- 13 James Russell Dahlgren
Raymond Francis and Claire Lamoureux Dahlgren

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- 25 Mary Ellen Dickinson
Harvey Milton and Doris Hawkins Dickinson
- 27 Theresa Trominski
Russell Arthur and Wanda Sasur Trominski
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MARRIAGES RECORDED, 1948

January

- 3 Harvey Richard Plant, Belchertown, Mass.
Eleanor Mae Joyal, Belchertown, Mass.
- 3 Kenneth H. Binion, Alderson, West Virginia
Helen Kuzmick, Belchertown, Mass.
- 31 Donald Edward Geer, Belchertown, Mass.
Priscilla Vaughn, Palmer, Mass.

February

- 12 Anthony A. Bolow, Bondsville, Mass.
Helen B. Zagraniczny, Bondsville, Mass.

March

- 20 Richard H. Pinney, Jr., Stafford, Conn.
Joyce M. Spencer, Belchertown, Mass.

April

- 9 Charles Casmir F. Kusza, Bondsville, Mass.
Mary A. Gurski, Bondsville, Mass.
- 10 Walter Romaniak, Belchertown, Mass.
Mary W. Ciurczak, West Warren, Mass.
- 17 David Thomas, Athol, Mass.
June Kecy, Belchertown, Mass.
- 19 Thomas Merrigan, South Deerfield, Mass.
Marguerite McKillop, Belchertown, Mass.
- 24 Rene Armand Bronner, Belchertown, Mass.
Alice Rita Berube, Fairview, Mass.

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- 25 Stanley S. Galica, Stafford, Conn.
Frances Elizabeth Romaniak, Belchertown, Mass.
- 25 Edwin J. Nicjadllk, Wilbraham, Mass.
Irene M. Munice, Bondsville, Mass.

May

- 1 Joseph Martin Wanczyk, Hadley, Mass.
Victoria Mary Warzocha, Belchertown, Mass.
- 1 Robert F. Hevey, Ware, Mass.
Emilie Kozlik, Ware, Mass.
- 15 Robert M. Ritter, Belchertown, Mass.
Annie Ruth Boykin, Belchertown, Mass.
- 22 John Vincent Boudreau, Belchertown, Mass.
Eleanor Priscilla Bisnette, Palmer, Mass.
- 22 Edmond H. Fournier, Amherst, Mass.,
Olga M. Shedlock, Amherst, Mass.
- 29 Kenneth Roy Brown, Belchertown, Mass.
V. Maureen Lafond, Three Rivers, Mass.

June

- 19 John S. Strong, Viper, Kentucky
Alice M. Tucker, Belchertown, Mass.
- 26 Lorand Reid Brown, Apponaug, R. I.
Patricia Lee Squires, Belchertown, Mass.
- 26 Stanley Boyko, Belchertown, Mass.
Anne Czorny, Ludlow, Mass.
- 28 Rene Alfred Bouchard, Belchertown, Mass.
Florina Belanger, Indian Orchard, Mass.

July

- 4 Frank Skawski, Springfield, Mass.
Caroline E. Wachta, Bondsville, Mass.
- 17 Frank Lewicki, Ludlow, Mass.
Therisa A. Kapinos, Bondsville, Mass.

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- 24 Edward John Dudek, Belchertown, Mass.
Mary Clara Niemiec, Three Rivers, Mass.
- 24 Arne Shibbes, Belmont, Mass.
Mildred Jean Lincoln, Belmont, Mass.
- 24 Phillip William Dyer, North Amherst, Mass.
Alice Lofland, Belchertown, Mass.

August

- 7 Arthur Joseph Bousquet, Springfield, Mass.
Jeanne Theresa Bouchard, Belchertown, Mass.
- 9 Frank J. Sawickas, North Brookfield, Mass.
Mary A. Kapinos, Palmer, Mass.
- 14 Herbert Story, Jr., Belchertown, Mass.
Elizabeth Lucy Cook, Belchertown, Mass.
- 14 Robert Guy Anderson, Belchertown, Mass.
Julia Mary Ann Smola, Belchertown, Mass.
- 22 Robert Lionel Yung, Detroit, Mich.
Wanda Patricia Krawiec, Belchertown, Mass.

September

- 4 Peter Stanley Piechota, Palmer, Mass.
Mary Anna Geslock, Belchertown, Mass.
- 15 Francis J. Bigda, Palmer, Mass.
Alice Adela Skaza, Palmer, Mass.
- 18 Lewis Joseph Austin, Belchertown, Mass.
Lillian Claire Riel, Palmer, Mass.
- 18 Everett William Plant, Belchertown, Mass.
Helen Mary Baril, Belchertown, Mass.
- 18 Joseph Bernardo, Ludlow, Mass.
Evelyn J. Lech, Palmer, Mass.
- 26 Stanley Joseph Pietryka, Palmer, Mass.
Irene Ann Puta, Belchertown, Mass.

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October

- 10 Leopold J. Renaud, Palmer, Mass.
Vera P. Sypek, Palmer, Mass.
- 25 Wladyslaw J. Rolla, Ware, Mass.
Antonina K. Lieba, Ware, Mass.

November

- 1 Frank Samborski, Belchertown, Mass.
Eva Alice Norman, Belchertown, Mass.
- 10 Edward Chapin Camp, Belchertown, Mass.
Eileen Daisy Dodge, Belchertown, Mass.
- 11 Joseph J. Kulicsh, Stafford Springs, Conn.
Frances K. Gill, Palmer, Mass.
- 20 Bradford Wheeler Cousins, Belchertown, Mass.
Gertrude May Hutton Baker, Belchertown, Mass.
- 22 Robert Victor Johnston, Belchertown, Mass.
Marjorie Gates Tilton, Belchertown, Mass.
- 27 Edward Dobek, Ludlow, Mass.
Sophie Lisiewicz, Belchertown, Mass.

December

- 4 Charles Denison Geer, Belchertown, Mass.
Mary Margaret McCann, Belchertown, Mass.
- 4 Arthur D. Page, Holyoke, Mass.
Virginia M. Story, Belchertown, Mass.
- 29 Stanley Pobieglo, Palmer, Mass.
Mary Garnis, Belchertown, Mass.
- 25 Rudy S. Sandoval, Yuma, Arizona
May H. Horr, Belchertown, Mass.

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DEATH RECORDED, 1948

Date	Name and Place of Death	Age		
		yrs.	mos.	dys.
January				
6	Edgar Frederic Andrews, B. S. S.	69	5	5
12	Maria (Tomczyk) Pinski, Belchertown	76		
16	Carol Anne Wadsworth, Belchertown	3	4	19
17	Levi A. Clark, B. S. S.	35	10	8
22	Harriette Williams, B. S. S.	28	2	2
22	Charles E. Allard, B. S. S.	39	1	5
23	Cora Evangeline Shaw Newman, Belchertown	78	3	25
25	Sarah F. Dillon Fuller, Belchertown	68	3	27
31	William Walter Sampson, Jr., B. S. S.	15	10	11
February				
8	Daniel M. Boyd, B. S. S.	13	9	28
7	Joanne Norine McKillop, Belchertown			2
11	Jeanne Patricia McKillop, Belchertown			6
21	Esther Tadgell, Belchertown	40	3	21
March				
15	Clarence Cochran, Jr., B. S. S.	14	5	17
23	Thomas W. Bisnette, Belchertown		8	21
April				
12	Orvis Burnham, B. S. S.	66	8	13
27	Elizabeth Fuller, Ludlow, Mass.	68		
May				
17	Barbara Ann Chevalier, Belchertown		3	9
23	Ada Tufts Akers, Belchertown	78	9	12
June				
1	Josephine Foss, Hadley	73	11	15
6	Jeanetta Lofland, Belchertown	28	11	24
19	Harold C. Booth, Belchertown	50	4	14

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21	Rose Alma Avery, Longmeadow	39	11	9
23	Vaneda Short, B. S. S.	48		
28	Ernest Peterson, Belchertown	62	11	17
July				
3	Lincoln Campbell, Belchertown	81	3	24
15	Theresa Dell'Erba, B. S. S.	14	9	19
September				
9	Arthur William Farrington, Belchertown	85	6	11
15	Thomas Francis McHugh, Belchertown	35		
15	John Rog, Belchertown	34		
18	Delma Irene Cranson, B. S. S.	17	3	17
23	Herminia Roy Dubuque, Belchertown	91	5	
30	Catherine Garnis, Belchertown	22	1	26
30	Joseph Garnis, Belchertown	61		
October				
5	Nora May Ballou Fuller, Northampton	75	5	8
10	Herman Clinton Knight, Northampton	73	5	
18	Joseph Dugre, Belchertown	70		
26	Paul R. Squires, Northampton	53	7	9
29	Bruce Albert Walker, Belchertown	12	7	14
November				
5	Emma Paradis Hudon, Belchertown	73	3	6
22	Kasimer Romaniak, Belchertown	73		
30	Rosanna Bolia LaRoche, B. S. S.	45	7	7
December				
5	Dora Klicker Stadler, Belchertown	86	5	
7	Frank E. Towne, Holyoke	79	4	11
8	George Tanguay, B. S. S.	57	3	15
20	Peter Hanifin, Belchertown	88	4	16
30	Frances Ellen Forgey, B. S. S.	9	5	2
31	Barbara Ann Matachun, B. S. S.	8		15

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Minutes of Town Meetings

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

FEBRUARY 2 AND 9, 1948

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To any of the constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said
County,*

GREETING;

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places in said Belchertown, designated by the Selectmen, to wit:

IN PRECINCT A, at Lawrence Memorial Hall in Jabish Street.

IN PRECINCT B, at the Franklin School Building in Franklin Street in South Belchertown, on Monday, the second day of February, A. D. 1948 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to precinct officers of the several polling precincts of said Town for the following officers, to wit: a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, five Constables, a Tree Warden, each for one year; one School Committee Member for three years, one Assessor for three years, and one Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

The polls will be open at nine o'clock in the forenoon and closed at 6 o'clock p. m.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the

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inhabitants of said Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Lawrence Memorial Hall in said Belchertown, on Monday, the ninth day of February, A. D. 1948, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To choose the following named officers by nomination: two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year: one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 2. To hear the reports of the officers of the town and of any committees that may have been appointed by the town and act thereon.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses listed in the Finance Committee report for the current financial year and act thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1948, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the school committee for the year ensuing, and act thereon.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to allow the selectmen

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to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1948, as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.00, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to allow the cemetery commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemetery at a rate not to exceed 75 cents per hour for the year 1948, as provided for in the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to have the selectmen appoint a committee of three to look into the advisability and cost of erecting a permanent honor roll to replace the temporary one now in front of Memorial Hall; said committee to report at the next annual town meeting; or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1947 for the purchase of road machinery, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the 1948 summer program at Parsons Field for the benefit of the children of the town, to be spent with the approval of the Town Recreation Committee for salary of director and equipment, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to rescind the action taken under Article 3 of a town meeting held Sept. 29, 1873, whereby the Belchertown Park Association was granted control of the Common in concurrence with the Selectmen, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to have a committee of three appointed by the moderator to work with the School Committee in investigating the cost of carrying out the directives of the State Department of Safety as contained in the School Committee annual report, and report to the next special town meeting, or take any action relative thereto.

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Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$293.17, which has been allocated to the town of Belchertown, to be paid to the treasurer-custodian of the Hampshire County Retirement System, under the provisions of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 658 of the Acts of 1945, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$98.93 to pay the bill of Gordon E. Ainsworth, dated Oct. 25, 1947, for surveying, staking borings and making blueprints of the grounds of the Center Grade School, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to authorize the use of a General Laws.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 and to appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 from Available Funds, for continuing the sewerage system of the town, according to the plans prepared by Tighe & Bond of Holyoke, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$5,500.00, and to issue a note or notes of the town therefor, payable in not more than five years from date of issue, this debt to be incurred for the continuance of the construction of the sewerage system, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Clapp Memorial Library for the year 1948, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 21. To determine what action the town will take in regard to the use of a portion of the Clapp Memorial Library building for school purposes.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a street light between the intersection of Old Springfield Road and the residence of Clarence Morey,

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or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at MacMillan's Gas Station, so called, on the Amherst road, and one at Keyes' Hotel, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the town clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twentieth day of January, A. D. 1948.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
ISAAC A. HODGEN

Selectmen of Belchertown

ACTION TAKEN UNDER FOREGOING WARRANT
FEBRUARY 9, 1948

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Wm. J. Delaney.

Art. 1. Chose Mrs. Louise Sherman and Mrs. Amy C. Witt as Almoners of the Whiting Street Fund and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Fund for one year, and George A. Poole as trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 2. Voted to accept the reports of the officers and committees of the town as printed in the Town Report, with the exception of the Finance Committee's report.

Art. 3. Voted to act on the Finance Committee's report, each item to be considered as a separate motion.

Selectmen	800.00
Town Accountant	425.00

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Treasurer	690.00
Tax Collector	800.00
Assessors	900.00
Town Clerk	450.00
Certification of Notes	20.00
Law	200.00
Election and Registration	700.00
Town Hall	800.00
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00
American Legion Headquarters	400.00
Police	500.00
Fire Department	1,300.00
Forest Fires	1,100.00
Hydrant Service	1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00
Tree Warden	200.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	85.00
Health	1,050.00
Highways—Chapter 81	4,120.00
Highways—Chapter 90, Maintenance	500.00
Highways—Chapter 90, Construction	3,500.00
Highways—Snow Removal	6,000.00
Highways—Streets	100.00
Highways—Bridges	600.00
Street Lights	2,000.00
Public Welfare	4,000.00
Veterans' Aid	600.00
Old Age Assistance	21,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	3,250.00
Schools	82,840.00
Vocational Education	1,500.00
Caretaker Recreation Field	300.00
Cemeteries	750.00
Soldiers' Graves	100.00

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Unclassified	400.00
Reserve Fund, transferred from Overlay Reserve Fund	1,000.00
Memorial Day	100.00
Armistice Day	50.00
Honor Roll	20.00
Insurance	3,097.69
Interest	100.00
Town Clock	100.00
Public Dump	50.00
Care of Common	150.00
Photostats of Discharges	50.00

Art. 4. Voted to give to the Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid.

Art. 5. Voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1948, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws. The vote was unanimous.

Art. 6. Voted to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,500 to the Road Machinery Expense Account.

Art. 7. Voted to authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the School Committee for the year ensuing.

Art. 8. Voted to allow the Selectmen to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1948, as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.00.

Art. 9. Voted to allow the cemetery commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemetery at a rate not to exceed 75 cents per hour for the year 1948, as provided for in the General Laws.

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Art. 10. Voted to have the Selectmen appoint a committee of three to look into the advisability and cost of erecting a permanent honor roll to replace the temporary one now in front of Memorial Hall, said committee to report at the next annual town meeting.

Art. 11. Voted to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1947 for the purchase of road machinery.

Art. 12. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the 1948 summer program at Parsons Field for the benefit of the children of the town, to be spent with the approval of the Town Recreation Committee for salary of director and equipment.

Art. 13. Voted to rescind the action taken under Article 3 of a town meeting held September 29, 1873, whereby the Belchertown Park Association was granted control of the Common in concurrence with the Selectmen.

Art. 14. Voted to have a committee of three appointed by the moderator to work with the School Committee in investigating the cost of carrying out the directives of the State Department of Safety as contained in the School Committee annual report, and report to the next special town meeting. The committee was appointed as follows: W. N. Webster, Hudson Holland and F. Dudley Chaffee.

Art. 15. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$293.17, which has been allocated to the town of Belchertown, to be paid to the treasurer-custodian of the Hampshire County Retirement System, under the provisions of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 658 of the Acts of 1945.

Art. 16. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$98.93 to pay the bill of Gordon E. Ainsworth, dated October 25, 1947, for surveying, staking borings and making blueprints of the grounds of the Center Grade School.

Art. 17. Voted to authorize the use of a sum not to exceed

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\$25,000.00 from the Surplus Revenue to meet the shares of the State and County allotments on highway repairs and maintenance under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

Art. 18. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 and to appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 from available funds, for continuing the sewerage system of the town, according to the plans prepared by Tighe and Bond of Holyoke.

Art. 19. Voted indefinite postponement, and that a committee of three be appointed by the moderator to report at the next special town meeting. The following were appointed: D. Donald Hazen, M. C. Baggs and Guy C. Allen, Jr.

Art. 20. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 for the maintenance of the Clapp Memorial Library for the year 1948.

Art. 21. Voted that the Board of Selectmen, the School Committee and the Trustees of Clapp Memorial Library each select a member for a committee of three to investigate the advisability of using part of Clapp Memorial Library for school purposes, and report at the next special town meeting.

Art. 22. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18.75 to install a street light between the intersection of Old Springfield Road and the residence of Clarence Morey.

Art. 23. Reappointed Guy C. Allen, Jr., to the Finance Committee for a term of three years.

Adjourned at 8.27 P. M.

Attest:

GEORGE A. POOLE, *Town Clerk*

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WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

MAY 26, 1948—8.00 P. M.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

To any of the Constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said County,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at Lawrence Memorial Hall on Jabish Street in said Belchertown, on Wednesday the twenty-sixth of May, A. D. 1948, at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account a sum of money to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Available Funds a sum of money to the Snow Removal Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To receive the report of the Special Committee appointed by the Moderator at the annual town meeting on the construction of sewers in Belchertown, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of sewers, and determine how the appropriation shall be raised, by borrowing or transfer; or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To receive the report of the Special Committee appointed at the last annual town meeting to investigate the matter of the use of the Clapp Memorial Library building for school purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will authorize and direct the Board

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of Selectmen to execute a written lease with Clapp Memorial Library of a portion of the library building to be used for school purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from Available Funds a sum of money for the Raymond Concrete Pile Co. for borings made at the Grammar School grounds for plans for the proposed new school in Belchertown, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 8. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at MacMillan's Gas Station on Amherst Road, and one at Keyes' Hotel, seven days at least before time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this eighteenth day of May A. D. 1948.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

ACTION TAKEN UNDER FOREGOING WARRANT

Art. 1. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account.

Art. 2. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$700.00 to the Snow Removal Account.

Art. 3. Voted to accept the report of the committee.

Art. 4. Voted to raise and appropriate \$45,000.00 for the construction of sewers, and to meet said appropriation that the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is

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authorized to borrow said amount of \$45,000.00, and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, payable in not more than 30 years in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws. The vote was: For—84, Against—22.

Art. 5. Voted to accept as a report of progress.

Art. 6. Voted, that the Selectmen are hereby authorized and directed to execute in the name of the Town a written lease with Clapp Memorial Library as lessor, for school purposes, that portion of the library building on South Main Street known and designated as the Reading Room and Stage, together with the basement area beneath the same, and the front and northerly entrance ways to said building, excepting and reserving, however, to the lessor Corporation the use, in common with the lessee Town, of said front and northerly entrances for the purpose of access to those parts of the building not included in this lease; said lease to run for a term of twenty-five (25) years from the date said Clapp Memorial Library Corporation receives the necessary legal authorization to execute the same, but prior to January 1, 1949; the rental to be \$1,000 per year, payable semi-annually, during said term.

Art. 7. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$275.83 for the Raymond Concrete Pile Co. for borings made at the Grammar School grounds for plans for the proposed new school in Belchertown.

Art. 8. Voted to adjourn. 10.35 P. M.

Attest:

GEORGE A. POOLE, *Town Clerk*

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WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

SEPTEMBER 10, 1948—8 P. M.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To any of the constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said
County,* GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at Lawrence Memorial Hall on Jabish Street in said Belchertown, on Friday, the tenth of September, A. D. 1948, at eight o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Available Funds for Old Age Assistance, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Available Funds for Public Welfare, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Available Funds for the Election and Registration Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Available Funds for the Interest Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Available Funds for the Snow Removal Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account a sum of money to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the transfer

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of the sum of \$75.00 in the Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds given by Susan B. Church for care of the Susan B. Church Lot in Mount Hope Cemetery and apply the said amount for perpetual care of the Arthur Bridgman Lot in Mount Hope Cemetery, in accordance with a request of Susan B. Church, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 8. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at MacMillan's Gas Station on the Amherst Road, and one at Keyes' Hotel, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this third day of September, A. D. 1948.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

ACTION TAKEN UNDER FOREGOING WARRANT SEPTEMBER 10, 1948

Art. 1. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$12,000.00 for Old Age Assistance.

Art. 2. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$400.00 for Public Welfare.

Art. 3. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$150.00 for the Election and Registration Account.

Art. 4. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum of \$200.00 for the Interest Account.

Art. 5. Voted to appropriate from Available Funds the sum

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of \$500.00 for the Snow Removal Account.

Art. 6. Voted to transfer from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account.

Art. 7. Voted to authorize the transfer of the sum of \$75.00 in the Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds given by Susan B. Church for care of the Susan B. Church Lot in Mount Hope Cemetery, and apply the said amount for perpetual care of the Arthur Bridgman Lot in Mount Hope Cemetery, in accordance with a request of Susan B. Church.

Art. 8. Adjourned. 8.22 P. M.

Attest:

GEORGE A. POOLE, *Town Clerk*

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Itemized Report of Receipts and Expenditures

GENERAL REVENUE

Taxes, William E. Shaw, Collector

Levy of 1946, Real Estate	\$993.60	
Levy of 1946, Personal Property	425.30	
Levy of 1947, Real Estate	9,721.66	
Levy of 1947, Personal Property	1,932.20	
Levy of 1948, Real Estate	57,021.59	
Levy of 1948, Personal Property	12,448.03	
Levy of 1948, Polls	1,506.00	
Levy of 1947, Motor Vehicle Excise	378.72	
Levy of 1948, Motor Vehicle Excise	8,186.56	92,613.66

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Reimbursement for loss of taxes	1,336.18	
Income tax	22,409.58	
Corporation tax, business	7,247.45	
Meals tax, Old Age Assistance	1,435.41	
M. D. W. S. C., in lieu of taxes	1,306.35	33,734.97
Liquor licenses	2,375.00	
Business licenses and permits	134.00	
Court fines	140.00	2,649.00

Grants and Gifts

From Federal Government

Old Age Assistance, Aid	21,770.12
Old Age Assistance, Administrative	754.35

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Aid to Dependent Children, Aid	1,227.88	
Aid to Dependent Children, Adm.	13.42	
Plans for Grade School addition	2,800.00	26,565.77
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Smith-Hughes Fund	266.32	
Massachusetts School Fund	7,444.01	
Union Superintendent	662.37	
Highways, Chapter 81	22,746.00	
Inspection of Animals	100.00	31,218.70
County of Hampshire, Dog Licenses		737.32
Total General Revenue		\$187,519.42
COMMERCIAL REVENUE		
William E. Shaw, Collector, Poll Tax demands	37.10	
Bel. Farmers' & Mechanics' Club, use of Common	150.00	
Rent of Lawrence Memorial Hall and driveway		
Mt. Vernon Chapter, O. E. S.	1.50	
Vernon Lodge of Masons	3.00	
American Legion	4.50	
Grange	1.50	
Lions Club	6.00	
Double or Nothing Club	1.50	
Belchertown Motor Sales, rent of driveway	10.00	28.00
Raymond C. Gay, Sealer of Weights & Meas. fees	23.23	
Central Vermont Railway, forest fires	8.66	
County of Hampshire, Dog Officers fees	102.50	
County of Hampshire, Wildcat Bounty	10.00	
Henry H. Witt, sale of highway junk	43.25	
Socony-Vacuum Co., oil barrel	14.50	
Highways, Joint Construction and Maintenance		
Commonwealth of Mass., construction	7,000.00	
Commonwealth of Mass., maintenance	500.00	
County of Hampshire, maintenance	500.00	

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County of Hampshire, construction	3,500.00	11,500.00
Road Machinery Earnings		7,835.29
(Tabulation in detail appended to this report)		
Reimbursements, Charities		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Public Welfare	317.17	
Aid to Dependent Children	1,349.80	
Old Age Assistance	20,368.07	
Other Cities and Towns		
Public Welfare	110.20	
Aid to Dependent Children	760.88	
Individuals, Public Welfare	187.00	23,093.12
Individuals, Veterans' Aid	12.75	
Commonwealth of Mass., Military Aid	233.50	246.25
Commonwealth of Mass., tuition State Wards		8,103.54
City of Boston, tuition		17.01
Total for Commercial Revenue		\$51,212.45

INTEREST

The First National Bank of Amherst		
Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	175.00	
Amherst Savings Bank		
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	400.00	
William E. Shaw, Collector of Taxes		
Levy of 1946	76.64	
Levy of 1947	215.54	
Levy of 1948	40.75	
Excise	10.49	918.42

DEBT

Palmer National Bank, Sewer Loan	26,000.00
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AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

George A. Poole, Town Clerk, dog li-

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censes	783.20	
William E. Shaw, Town Clerk, dog li-		
censes	154.80	938.00
Sundry Persons, withholding tax		7,212.57
Sundry Persons, Tailing Account		13.97
Palmer Smith, perpetual care Ernest Booth		
lot, Mt. Hope	100.00	
Mrs. Claire L. Woods, George Woods lot,		
Mt. Hope	100.00	
Susan B. Church, Arthur Bridgman lot,		
Mt. Hope	100.00	
James L. Collard, Exec., Tufts-Akers lot,		
Mt. Hope	100.00	
Cyril W. Van Cortlandt, Mary E. King		
lot, Mt. Hope	100.00	500.00
Amherst Savings Bank		
Income, Longley School Music Fund		26.51
Hampshire County Retirement System	6.86	
Ruth Clark Acct., Westfield Sanatorium	475.00	
Recovery of Aid to Dependent Chil-		
dren	1,331.02	1,812.88
REFUNDS		
Honor Roll Refund	1.35	
Lane Const. Corp., Chapt. 90 const.	33.75	
Land Court	3.50	
O. A. A. checks cancelled	226.45	265.05
		\$276,419.27
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1948		54,977.54
		\$331,396.81

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EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen

Salaries

Charles F. Austin	300.00	
Isaac A. Hodgen	200.00	
Francis M. Austin	200.00	700.00

Expenses

Hampshire Co. Selectmen's Assn., dues	6.00	
Mass. Selectmen's Assn., dues	25.00	
D. Donald Hazen, posting warrants	25.00	
C. F. Austin, expenses to license hearing	15.24	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	1.08	72.32

\$772.32

Town Accountant

Ella A. Stebbins, salary	400.00	
Postage and supplies	.73	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	19.26	419.99

Treasurer

William E. Shaw, salary		525.00
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Expenses

Employers' Liability Assur. Corp., bond	62.50	
Postage	49.83	
Rent safe deposit box	3.00	
Mass. Coll. & Treas. Assn., dues	1.00	
W. E. Shaw, recording fee	1.50	
Johnson's Bookstore, supplies	4.75	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	11.65	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	32.43	
Forbes Snyder, Inc., typewriter repairs	2.25	
Stamp pad	.60	169.51

\$694.51

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Tax Collector

William E. Shaw, salary	500.00	
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Expenses

Jean W. Chaffee, clerical work	22.50	
Employers' Liability Assur. Corp., bond	87.75	
Same, Deputy Collector's bond	5.00	
Mass. Coll. & Treas. Assn., dues	1.00	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	20.42	
Postage	102.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	58.83	297.50
		\$797.50

Assessors

Salaries

Guy C. Allen, Sr.	300.00	
Frederick E. Lincoln	200.00	
Edward T. Parsons	200.00	700.00

Expenses

Katherine C. Ryan, transfers	48.00	
Jean W. Chaffee, clerical work	67.80	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	54.29	
Assoc. of Mass. Assessors, dues	6.00	
G. R. Barnstead & Son, excise tax tables	1.00	
Johnson's Bookstore, supplies	3.20	
Lewis H. Blackmer, binding	2.35	
James W. Tufts, transfer cards	29.10	
G. C. Allen, postage and trav. exp.	7.60	219.34
		\$919.34

Certification of Notes

Director of Accounts	4.00
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Law

Morse & Morse, Attorneys	130.00
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Town Clerk

Salaries

George A. Poole	250.00	
William E. Shaw	50.00	300.00

Expenses

George A. Poole, recording fees	128.00	
Postage	7.00	
Emp. Liab. Assur. Corp., Ltd., bonds	10.45	
Mass. Town Clerks' Association, dues	3.00	
Sundry persons, moving safes	23.60	172.05

\$472.05

Election and Registration

Registrars

Thomas A. Austin	52.00	
Roy G. Shaw	36.00	
Raymond Beaudoin, salary, use of car	60.00	
George Poole	45.50	193.50

Election Officers, sundry persons	399.71
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Expenses

Robinson Seal Co., supplies	35.36	
Johnson's Bookstore, supplies	6.50	
School Lunch, lunches	22.50	
George Dewey, janitor service	3.00	
Daniel Waters, supplies	.60	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	75.68	143.64

Street Listing

Marion Plant	60.00	
Minnie Flaherty	60.00	
Emma Loftus	60.00	
Lena Wilson, typing lists	35.00	215.00

\$951.85

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THE LAWRENCE MEMORIAL HALL

New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	64.54	
George Dewey, janitor service	3.00	
The Ryther & Warren Co., supplies	8.29	
Harry E. Sessions, electrical work	68.20	
W. H. Young, repairs	69.52	
J. Russell & Co., brass kick plates	26.46	
Sundry persons, jacking floor in town office	35.00	275.01

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Douglas Rhodes, janitor	200.00	
Samuel Joyal, assisting janitor	1.50	201.50
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil		375.45
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights		37.90
Supplies, H. E. Kimball & Sons		6.65

Repairs

E. K. Carrington	3.50	
Fred Mallonee, keys, etc.	5.75	
Holyoke Supply Co., gaskets	2.50	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	2.55	
J. Raymond Gould, battery recharge	1.00	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	1.96	
Sundry persons	5.30	22.56

\$644.06

RENOVATION OLD TOWN HALL

K. O. Jenks, cartage of flooring	50.75	
J. J. Kempkes & Son, labor	282.00	
Ryther & Warren Co., asphalt, nails, etc.	54.95	
E. J. Pinney, flooring	545.00	
Highland Paint & Wallpaper Co., gym seal	65.00	
J. Russell & Co., grit resistant paper	11.30	
Street Supply Corp., edger and discs	5.70	1,014.70

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AMERICAN LEGION HEADQUARTERS

A. H. Phillips, Inc., rent	240.00	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	16.65	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	117.45	374.10

POLICE

Services as Officer		
Frank L. Gold	153.85	
Robert Camp	145.70	
Emma Loftus	12.25	
Fanny Morey	32.25	
D. Donald Hazen	90.14	
Wilfred Weston	16.00	
Harlan Davis, dog officer	24.00	474.19
Supplies, The Ryther & Warren Co.		4.85
All Other		
Dr. James R. Flaherty, med. attendance	5.00	
Dr. James L. Collard, med. attendance	6.00	
Pernette Bracey, cleaning jail	12.00	23.00
		\$502.04

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Milton C. Baggs, Fire Chief, salary		200.00
Engine House Expense		
New England Tel. & Tel. Co	108.93	
Central Mass. Electric Co.	67.40	
L. C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	232.03	
Harlan Davis, labor	6.75	415.11
Sundry persons, services at fires		43.00
Gas, Oil, Anti-freeze, etc.		
Ada E. Davis	42.18	
J. Raymond Gould	1.39	43.57
Equipment and Repairs		
Justin A. McCarthy Co., hose	285.00	

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Gorman Fire Appl., servicing fire exting.	4.00	
Fitzhenry-Guptill Co., fire pump carbur.	25.75	
H. E. Kimball & Sons, cells, battery, etc.	14.40	
J. Raymond Gould, repairs	111.63	
H. A. Hopkins' Store, mittens and sox	14.10	
Tarbell-Watters, bulb	4.35	459.23
		\$1,160.91
HYDRANTS		
Belchertown Water District		1,500.00
FOREST FIRES		
Sundry persons, services at fires	223.13	
M. C. Baggs, issuing fire permits	30.00	
H. B. Ketchen, repairs	26.00	
American-LaFrance Foamite Corp.	249.54	
Sundry persons, repairs to pump and hose	13.50	542.17
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES		
R. C. Gay, salary	60.00	
R. C. Gay, auto expense	10.50	
W. and L. E. Gurley, equipment	6.62	77.12
WILDCAT BOUNTY		
Harold A. Moore		10.00
TREE WARDEN		
Edward Conkey	67.71	
Pernette Bracey	6.58	
Harland Purrington	1.64	
Edward Schmidt, chain saw	55.50	
Merton L. Pratt	12.97	
John Miller	19.68	164.08
Northern Tree Expert Co., removing 3 pines		35.00
		\$199.08

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MOTH SUPPRESSION

Harlan B. Davis, superintendent	154.13	
Sundry persons. labor	217.88	
Use of truck	58.00	
Northern Tree Expert Co.. spraying	112.20	542.21

HEALTH

Dr. Francis M. Austin, inspector of animals		200.00
C. H. Eggleston, inspector of meat		44.00
Care of Dump		
William Squires	15.00	
Labor	59.34	
Bulldozer	67.50	141.84
George A. Poole, burial permits	14.00	
Dr. James L. Collard, med. attendance	112.00	
Arthur Beauregard, signs	10.00	
B. S. S., care of sewer beds	480.77	616.77

\$1,002.61

SEWERAGE SYSTEM

Labor payrolls	8,956.20
Town equipment	1,355.95
Trucks, sundry persons	1,628.00
Preston Atwood, tractor	21.00
Wm. Squires, bulldozer and tractor	556.25
Warner Bros., shovel	5,801.60
M. C. Baggs	346.32
Joseph Austin, dynamite	648.00
Material	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	7,404.70
Lynch Brick Co.	927.93
Hedge and Mattheis Co.	182.84
Belchertown Motor Sales	.75
W. Zabek Sand and Gravel Co.	11.44
A. V. Lavoie	13.25

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J. Raymond Gould	62.34	
Eastern Equipment Sales	28.71	
R. C. Gay, express	1.40	
The Chemical Corp.	48.80	
Arthur Beauregard, signs	10.00	
The Barrett Division, tarvia	901.51	
Squires Garage	1.50	
Lake Asphalt and Petroleum Co.	380.89	
Morse & Morse, Attorneys	136.10	
Tighe & Bond	500.00	
John S. Lane & Son	131.67	
William Webster	26.00	
J. & W. Jolly, Inc.	150.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing payrolls	2.00	
H. A. Hopkins Store	13.55	10,935.38

\$30,248.70

SEWER SYSTEM LAND DAMAGES

Cora Hussey	16.73
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HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 81

Labor payrolls	\$9,248.73
Trucks, sundry persons	1,724.50
Town equipment	3,494.73
Stephen Puffer, shovel	960.00
Warner Bros., shovel	162.50

Material

State Prison, street signs	50.00
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	751.50
New England Metal Culvert Co.	429.14
Ware Metal & Paper Stock Co.	30.50
Lane Construction Corp.	386.70
Thomas S. Sullivan, gravel	175.00
John S. Lane & Sons, stone	1,199.48
The Barrett Division	7,920.81

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Zabek Sand & Gravel Co.	409.91	
Mrs. George Baril, gravel	102.00	
Frank Eurkus, gravel	245.00	
Anna Skribiski, sand	4.50	11,704.54

\$27,295.00

HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 90—CONSTRUCTION

Labor payrolls	\$2,932.62	
Trucks, sundry persons	2,460.43	
Town equipment	188.88	
Warner Bros., Inc., shovel	1,804.50	
L. Sidur & Sons, bulldozer	267.00	

Material

John S. Lane & Sons	1,804.59	
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	2,945.56	
Lynch Brick Co.	36.38	
New England Metal Culvert Co.	801.93	
C. C. Lewis Co., reinforcing steel	22.18	
Squires' Garage, cutting culvert pipe	4.00	
J. & W. Jolly, Inc., catch basins	75.00	
F. P. Loftus, gravel	300.00	
T. V. Pratt, lumber	65.15	
A. Giard & Sons, concrete	253.00	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	27.85	
Banas Sand & Gravel Co.	6.86	
Zabek Sand & Gravel Co.	51.06	
M. C. Baggs, rent of pump	10.00	
Robert Brown, kerosene	11.60	
R. Lavoie Trucking Co.	18.00	6,433.16

\$14,086.59

HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 90—MAINTENANCE

Labor payrolls	\$115.36	
Town equipment	55.20	

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Trucks, sundry persons	150.75	
Material, The Barrett Division	1,178.74	\$1,500.05

HIGHWAYS—BRIDGES

Labor payrolls	\$235.37	
Town equipment	75.85	
Material, W. D. Cows Co., lumber	240.80	\$552.02

HIGHWAYS—STREETS

Labor payrolls	\$32.64	
Town equipment	11.80	
Material		
The Ryther & Warren Co.	124.11	
E. F. Shumway, line string	3.25	127.36 \$171.80

HIGHWAYS—SNOW REMOVAL

Labor payrolls		2,733.44
Town equipment		2,510.25
Trucks, sundry persons		2,086.00
Material		
The Chemical Corp., salt	382.41	
T. V. Pratt, use of tractor	4.00	386.41

\$7,716.10

ROAD MACHINERY EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Gas, oil, grease, etc., sundry persons	989.08	
Repairs	2,353.11	
Town Garage, heat, light, etc.,	505.12	
All other		
Registrations	11.00	
Inspections	1.00	
Diesel motor license	1.00	
Comm. of Mass., gas tax	14.13	3,874.44

STREET LIGHTS

Central Mass. Electric Co.		1,975.57
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STREET LIGHT NEAR MOREY'S

Central Mass. Electric Co. 18.75

PUBLIC WELFARE

Administrative

Lena N. Wilson, salary 842.50

Expenses, office

Rent, Vernon Lodge Building Assn. 90.00

Telephone, New Eng. Tel. & Tel. 50.72

Central Mass. Electric Co., lighting 6.00

Lena Wilson, travel expenses 58.65

Supplies 11.57

Postage and box rent 22.75

Repairs in office 16.35 256.04

Groceries and Provisions 60.91

Oil and wood 55.99

Board and Care, sundry persons 250.56

Medicine and Medical Attendance

Dr. James L. Collard 36.00

John Collis, ambulance trip 10.00

Holyoke Hospital 680.00

City of Springfield 6.00

Cooley Dickinson Hospital 88.00

Pomeroy-Williams 24.00 844.00

State Institution 1,113.92

Cash Grants to Individuals 123.87

All other 15.04

Other Cities and Towns

City of Springfield 665.54

Town of Leverett 62.70 728.24

Total for Public Welfare \$4,291.07

RELIEF FROM CHARITY FUNDS

Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund 50.00

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VETERANS' AID

Western Mass. Vet. Service Office, dues	2.00	
Cash payments, sundry persons	243.00	
Groceries and Provisions	8.00	
Belchertown Pharmacy	33.85	
William J. Hogan, M. D.	21.00	
James R. Faherty, M. D.	6.00	313.85

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—TOWN APPROPRIATION

Cash Aid, Sundry Persons	30,504.65	
Indirect Aid, Sundry Persons	327.62	

Aid by Other Cities and Towns

Town of Ware	160.10	
Town of Ludlow	181.89	
Town of Palmer	251.75	
Town of Amherst	25.98	
City of Chicopee	304.48	
City of Springfield	380.93	1,305.13

Administrative Expense

Lena N. Wilson, salary	379.57	
Central Mass. Elec. Co., lighting	2.00	
New Eng. Tel. & Tel., telephone	18.20	
Vernon Lodge Building Assn., rent	30.00	
Travel expenses	34.04	
Box Rent and Postage	62.22	
Supplies	7.61	
Lewis Blackmer, doctor's certificates	8.00	
All other, supplies, expenses to Tewksbury, etc.	36.50	198.57

Total Old Age Assistance from Town Appropriation	\$32,715.54
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL GRANTS

Cash Aid, Sundry Persons	22,537.15
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O. A. A.—ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE—

FEDERAL GRANTS

Lena N. Wilson, salary	394.08	
Vernon Lodge Building Assn., rent	60.00	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lighting	4.00	
New England Tel. & Tel., telephone	38.15	
Box Rent and Postage	15.05	
Supplies	41.96	
Lena N. Wilson, travel	37.20	
All other	7.50	597.94

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

From Federal Grants

Cash Aid, Sundry Persons	1,487.60	
Lena N. Wilson, salary	41.35	

From Town Appropriation

Cash Aid, Sundry Persons	3,107.35	4,636.30
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SCHOOLS

Administrative

School Committee

Albert Markham, salary	50.00	
Mrs. Fanny G. Morey, salary	40.00	
E. Clifton Witt, salary	40.00	
Mass. Assn. of School Committees, dues	5.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	2.50	137.50

School Superintendent

M. Leroy Greenfield, salary	525.00	
M. Leroy Greenfield, car allowance	92.00	617.00
Edwin A. Cox, salary	96.75	
Edwin A. Cox, car allowance	8.33	105.08

Administrative Assistant

Carl J. Peterson, salary	3,711.61	
Carl J. Peterson, car allowance	300.00	4,011.61

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Office Expenses		
Rose May Dewey, clerical work	701.90	
Sundry Persons, supplies	34.87	736.77
Emma D. Loftus, truant officer		23.23
New England Tel. & Tel., telephone		248.06
Express Charges		.35
Other General Expense		
New England Assn. of Coll. & Sec.		
School, dues	5.00	
Higham-Neilson-Whitridge & Reid,		
sports medical expense policy	210.00	
Fred Lincoln, trucking rubbish	2.00	217.00
Salaries of Teachers and Substitutes		
Blanche Austin	\$2,023.69	
Bernadette Bowler	2,361.61	
Marie Cincotta	2,022.43	
Elwyn Doubleday	2,411.70	
Chester Eisold	1,012.50	
Eleanor Fitzgerald	2,361.61	
Alice Flaherty	2,211.61	
Guy E. Harrington	3,324.15	
Vera Harrington	2,211.61	
Mary Catherine Landers	520.70	
John Laramie	1,620.00	
Mary D. Laramie	1,338.75	
Emma Loftus	1,081.00	
Marguerite Meehan	2,223.42	
Irene Orlando	2,211.61	
Madeleine Orlando	2,211.61	
Sophia Pero	2,362.41	
Mildred Robbins	824.94	
Kathleen Roy	1,376.36	
Marion Shaw	1,624.33	
Nellie Shea	2,211.61	

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Mildred Sullivan	2,211.61	
Ada Tague	2,361.61	
Florence Utley	1,187.50	
Florence Jackson	1,866.74	
Lillian Vatousiou	862.47	
Jean Chaffee	319.00	
Frances Hodgen	186.50	
Viola Hussey	506.00	
Margaret Knight	28.00	
Rachel Shumway	14.00	
Ruby Dickinson	7.00	
Mildred Cole	14.00	
Mrs. Chester Eisold	7.00	
Alma Lindquist	14.00	
Roger Massey	15.00	
Richard Lancey	20.00	49,168.08
Expense of Teachers		
Guy E. Harrington	30.10	
Madeleine Orlando	10.00	
Irene Orlando	10.00	
Dept. Elem. School Principals	1.00	
Florence Jackson, conf. expenses	6.31	
McMillan Co.	3.47	60.88
Fuel and Light		
Central Mass. Electric Co.	412.83	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne	3,160.95	
Francis Loftus	51.00	
T. V. Pratt	71.00	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	48.09	
J. Raymond Gould	.40	3,744.27
Books and Supplies, sundry persons		2,356.12
Janitors and Assistants		
George Dewey	2,467.25	
Samuel Joyal	57.30	

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Roger Caron	30.00	
Evans Westwell	12.75	
Robert Fay	48.00	
Peter Whittaker	145.00	
Albert Dudek	90.00	
William Chevalier	43.00	2,893.30
Janitors' and Toilet Room Supplies		590.28
Transportation		
Fay Ayers	1,500.00	
Lincoln Cook	1,670.00	
Raymond Gay	3,540.00	
D. Donald Hazen	1,640.00	
Everett Howard	1,180.00	
William Squires	2,060.00	11,590.00
Repairs on Buildings and Care of Grounds		
William Chevalier, labor	32.40	
M. C. Baggs	110.05	
Ryther & Warren Co., insulation, etc.	472.13	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	25.69	
Central Mass. Electric Co., bulbs	13.26	
A. C. Horn Co., Inc., paint	50.69	
Squires' Garage	79.00	
C. H. Sanford, repairs Grade School	198.40	
William Aldrich, repairs Grade School	32.00	
The C. B. Dolge Co.	151.98	
H. E. Sessions, electrical repairs	9.00	
J. B. Sibley & Son, lock	6.00	
Albert Dudek, repairs at Franklin	4.70	
Edward E. Babb & Co.	6.00	
Ware Lumber Co., thresholds	10.00	
J. J. Kempkes & Son, repairs	171.00	
Carl Peterson, keys	.60	
American-LaFrance Corp.	93.34	1,466.24

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Other Repairs and Replacements

Forbes Snyder, replacement duplicator	153.75	
Gray's Drapery Shop	29.30	
Bioscope Mfg. Co.	90.25	
E. J. Craig, tuning piano	5.00	
Forbes Snyder, typewriters	811.67	
Louis Shumway	2.00	
Linley T. Hall, recond. typewriters	140.00	
Spfld. Office Supply Co.	15.00	
Midwest Distributors, typewriter covers	22.09	
Fred Lincoln, trucking desks, repairs	20.00	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	.45	
Valley Forge Flag Co., flags	49.52	1,339.03

Water

Belchertown Water District	119.22	
Bondsville Water Co.	32.00	151.22

Graduation Expenses

W. M. Welch Mfg. Co., diplomas	35.17	
Lewis H. Blackmer	18.50	53.67

Health

Minnie Davis, salary as nurse	1,135.52	
Minnie Davis, car allowance	300.00	
Dr. James L. Collard, school physician	250.00	
Mrs. Clarence Pierce, laundering blankets	1.00	
Belchertown Pharmacy	33.29	1,719.81

Household Arts Dept.

Central Mass. Electric Co.	72.00	
Lehigh Petroleum Co.	22.00	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	5.00	
A. H. Phillips	65.86	
Florence Jackson	27.45	
First National Stores	22.14	

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Frank E. Towne, chicken	6.25	
Richo Products Inc.	1.40	
Bruce Humphries, books	2.18	
Forbes & Wallace	7.56	
M. L. A. Publications	2.50	
McCormack Mathers Publications	6.51	
C. & M. Woodworking shop, 40 drawers	68.00	308.85
Total for Schools—Town Appropriation		\$81,538.35
SCHOOLS—FROM OTHER FUNDS		
George Barden Fund		
Florence Jackson, salary	169.63	
Smith-Hughes Fund		
Florence Jackson, salary	194.05	
George Longley Music Fund		
Blodgett's Music Store	26.51	390.19
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION		
City of Holyoke	207.00	
Smith's Agricultural School	101.42	
City of Springfield	78.47	
City of Chicopee	95.92	482.81
LAWRENCE PARSONS RECREATION FIELD		
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	12.00	
Robert Hodgen, mowing	90.00	
Squires' Garage, mowing	4.50	
B. H. S. Athletic Assn., 1 set bases	11.00	
M. C. Baggs, drinking fountain, etc.	17.90	
Weidenmiller McGouvern, chains	8.95	
Louis A. Shumway, sharpening mower	4.00	
J. Russell Co., repairs	10.98	
Clark Construction Co., painting flagpole	10.00	
Earl Fay, labor	3.75	

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Bulldozer	7.50	
Truck No. 2	5.25	
Harvey Samson, spraying	3.00	
The Ryther & Warren Co., supplies	7.65	
Robert Stone, clearing grounds	4.00	200.48
CARE OF COMMON		
Robert Hodgen, mowing	90.37	
Louis A. Shumway, sharpening mowers	6.00	
Boy Scouts, Troop 507, raking	20.00	
Weidenmiller McGovern, chain case	9.13	
Squires' Garage, mowing	2.50	128.00
CEMETERIES		
Charles F. Austin, truck, transportation	150.25	
Harry Bishop, labor	231.00	
Fred Dewey, labor	116.12	
J. J. Archambault, labor	145.50	
Chester Cook, labor	37.13	
William Squires, labor	27.00	
Milton Stone, plowing snow	6.00	
Pernette Bracey, labor	3.00	
Frank Loftus, labor	3.00	
Grass seed	31.00	750.00
SOLDIERS' GRAVES		
Fred Dewey, labor	57.63	
J. J. Archambault, labor	31.87	
Chester Cook, labor	10.50	100.00
UNCLASSIFIED		
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing town reports	348.00	
Ella A. Stebbins, preparing Itemized copy	60.00	
Dr. Henry Tadgell, reimbursement for "Army Times Report" subscription	15.00	423.00
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS		
Raymond Concrete Pile Account	275.83	

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Gordon Ainsworth bill for surveying	98.93	374.76
MEMORIAL DAY		
Jackson's Store, flags	50.00	
A. H. Phillips, cookies	3.00	
Wm. Webster, ice cream and soda	19.75	
Kelly, The Florist, wreaths	12.00	
Aubrey Lapolice, trans. flagging graves	3.00	
Fred Farley, placing flags	1.26	89.01
ARMISTICE DAY		
Fred Farley, placing flags	1.20	
Kelly, The Florist	50.00	51.20
HONOR ROLL		
New England Adv., Inc., names		2.70
PHOTOSTATS OF VETERANS' DISCHARGES		
Schmidt Photo Service		18.00
INSURANCE		
Anna R. Gold	253.00	
Star Insurance Co. of America	252.71	
Employers' Fire Insurance Co.	46.80	
Employers' Liability Assur. Corp.	25.00	
Merchants' Mutual Casualty Co.	550.37	
Bell & Hudson Insurance Agency	1,801.59	
William E. Shaw	149.00	3,078.47
TOWN CLOCK		
Clark Construction Co., painting numerals	250.00	
George Wyman, care of clock	100.00	350.00
CENTER GRADE SCHOOL BUILDING PLANS		
William G. Upham		4,242.00
PUBLIC DUMP		
Clarissa Austin		50.00

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SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

John Crain, salary	300.00	
The Chemical Corp., supplies	10.35	
James F. Fenton, athletic supplies	57.00	
Johnson's Bookstore	40.23	
John Crain	10.98	
J. Russell & Co.	3.17	
Carlisle's	15.25	
Volunteer work		
Barbara Young	20.00	
June Germain	10.00	
Marjorie Jackson	5.00	
Susan Squires	5.00	476.98

INTEREST

Palmer National Bank	305.69
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MATURING DEBT

Palmer National Bank, Road Machinery Loan	1,000.00
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CLAPP MEMORIAL LIBRARY

L. C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	241.75	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	22.75	
Bell & Hudson, insurance	58.26	
William E. Shaw, insurance	86.79	
Books	235.44	
William Chevalier, labor, cleaning	12.00	
Harriet Chevalier, labor and supplies	24.14	
The Ryther & Warren Co., rakes	3.40	
Evans Westwell, mowing	16.25	
L. A. Shumway, sharpening and rep. mower	3.00	
Squires' Garage, welding mower	.75	704.53

AGENCY

Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
State Parks and Reservations	204.76	
Auditing Municipal Accounts	364.22	568.98

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County of Hampshire			
County Tax	7,704.16		
Dog Licenses	957.80		
Sale of Dog	3.00	8,664.96	
Withholding Tax			
Collector of Internal Revenue	2,688.81		
The First National Bank of Amherst	4,758.35	7,447.16	
Dog Officer Fees			
Harlan B. Davis, Dog Officer		119.00	
TRUST			
Cemetery Perpetual Care			
Belchertown Water District	8.10		
Chester Cook, labor	85.50		
J. J. Archambault, labor	80.25		
Fred Dewey, labor	133.22		
Charles F. Austin	57.75		
R. Falconer	20.18		
Squires' Garage	15.00	400.00	
Hampshire County Retirement System		299.38	
Private Trust Account		395.00	
Sundry Persons, Recovery A. D. C.		326.00	
INVESTMENT			
Amherst Savings Bank			
Cemetery Perpetual Care bequests		500.00	
REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS			
Clapp Memorial Library, dog licenses	737.32		
Clapp Memorial Library, Susan Bridgman			
Poor Fund	50.00	787.32	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax refunds	240.51		
Real Estate Tax Refunds	86.95	327.46	
Road Machinery Expenditure disallowed by State		7.58	
Total expenditures for year ending Dec. 31, 1948			\$280,202.18

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Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1948

51,194.63

\$331,396.81

Belchertown, Mass., January 31, 1949

We hereby certify the foregoing information to be complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Ella A. Stebbins

June S. Henneman

Table listing the names of those who have done work on the highways, and the amounts received individually for labor and truck hire

Name	Chapter 81		Ch. 90 Main.		Chapter 90 Construction		Snow Removal		Bridges		Sewers		Totals
	Labor	Trucks	Labor & Tr.		Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	Labor	Trucks	
Adam Max												\$162.00	\$162.00
Aldrich W. E.												95.00	203.00
Allen Guy, Jr.	3.60		14.40	\$108.00								8.00	26.00
Ayers L. W.				12.00									12.00
Berube Jos.	796.88		14.40				38.64		14.08			242.10	1,106.10
Boyko Stanley												145.20	145.20
Brown Rob't				86.40								150.00	236.40
Chamberlain E.				313.05									313.05
Clark Raymond								7.50					7.50
Clifford Jas.				199.55								598.70	798.25
Cook Richard				191.90								112.50	304.40
Cook Lincoln												542.90	542.90
Cyran John				297.85								338.70	636.55
Czech Michael				72.00								58.50	130.50
Davis Carl	459.90						50.40					241.65	751.95
Davis Earl F.												10.00	10.00
Davis Harlan	908.46		14.88				283.56		48.87		3.72	260.37	1,520.36
Dennis Rob't												192.00	192.00
Dickinson H.	3.60		14.40										18.00
Fay Carl							11.48						11.48
Fay Earl	563.39		7.20	42.78			222.98		6.25			167.48	1,010.08
Fontaine Fred												84.00	84.00
Frost Lewis												140.00	140.00
Gill Chas.							233.07		13.05			168.55	1,078.18
Hazen D. D.		357.50	41.25	2.75		359.30						199.46	960.26
Henrichon E.				64.80									64.80
Jenks Kenneth		39.00				14.00		795.25					848.25
Joyal Arthur	738.42						60.60		18.00		3.60	148.95	969.57
Joyal Robt.	228.60						7.20					2.70	238.50
Kulig Jos.	1,009.79		7.60				80.56		31.80		3.80	229.33	1,362.88
Lincoln Fred	178.79	303.75	64.00	38.25		777.31		867.50				586.50	2,816.10

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Road Machinery Earnings—1948

Equipment	Sundry Items	Chapter 81	Chap. 90 Maint.	Chapter 90 Const.	Streets	Bridges	Health	Snow	Sewers	Totals
Town Truck No. 1	\$1.80	\$1,194.00	\$19.20	\$76.13	\$4.80	\$42.60	.....	\$872.20	\$464.10	\$2,674.83
Town Truck No. 2	5.25	1,217.13	28.00	7.00	7.00	33.25	.....	827.75	437.35	2,562.73
Small Truck	.....	62.25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	62.25
Tractor	.....	432.50	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	442.50
Bulldozer	15.08	446.25	.....	83.75	.....	.....	67.50	605.00	399.55	1,616.58
Loader	.....	56.90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20.80	36.00	113.70
Sander	50.00	60.00	8.00	12.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	130.00
Small Mower	.....	7.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7.50
Mower	.....	10.20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.20
Broom	.....	8.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8.00
Compressor	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Plow	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.50	19.50
Totals	\$75.13	\$3,494.73	\$55.20	\$188.88	\$11.80	\$75.85	\$67.50	\$2,510.25	\$1,355.95	\$7,835.29

Report of Cemetery Commissioners

The Cemetery Commissioners wish to submit the following expenditures from the town appropriation:

Dwight	\$28.00
Evergreen	18.00
Hillcrest	58.00
Lake Vale	55.00
Liberty	24.00
Rural	25.00
South Center	87.00
Mount Hope	415.00
Soldiers' Graves	100.00
Material, etc.	40.00

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

FRED F. DEWEY

HOWARD H. DICKINSON

Commissioners

Town Warrant

FEB. 7 & 14, 1949

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To any of the constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said
County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places in said Belchertown, designated by the Selectmen, to wit:

IN PRECINCT A, at Lawrence Memorial Hall in Jabish Street.

IN PRECINCT B, at the Franklin School Building in Franklin Street in South Belchertown, on Monday, the seventh day of February, A. D. 1949 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to precinct officers of the several polling precincts of said Town for the following officers, to wit: a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, five Constables, a Tree Warden, each for one year; one Tax Collector for three years; one School Committee member for three years; one Assessor for three years, and one Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

The polls will be open at nine o'clock in the forenoon and closed at 7 o'clock p. m.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the

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inhabitants of said Belchertown qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Lawrence Memorial Hall in said Belchertown, on Monday, the fourteenth day of February, A. D. 1949, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To choose the following named officers by nomination: two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year; one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 2. To hear the reports of the officers of the town and of any committees that may have been appointed by the town and act thereon.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses listed in the Finance Committee report for the current financial year and act thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1949, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,000.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the school committee for the year ensuing, and act thereon.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to allow the selectmen

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to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1949, as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.00, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to allow the cemetery commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemetery at a rate not to exceed 75 cents per hour for the year 1949, as provided for in the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1947 for the purchase of road machinery, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a new roof for Memorial Hall, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the town will appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account a sum of money for the purchase of a road grader for use on the town highways, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$11,000.00, and to issue a note or notes of the Town therefor, payable in not more than five years from date of issue; this debt to be incurred for the purchase of certain road machinery, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$119.00 to pay George Poole for returns on Vital Statistics to the State for the year 1948.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to authorize the use of a sum not to exceed \$25,000, from the Surplus Revenue to meet the shares of the State and County allotments on highway repairs and maintenance under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 of the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate

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a sum of money to install three street lights on Bardwell Street in South Belchertown, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to provide that the Collector of Taxes shall collect under the title of Town Collector all accounts due the town, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 18. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at Union School at Dwight, and one at Keyes' Hotel seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. -

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twentieth day of January, A. D. 1949.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

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Report of Finance Committee

Account	Appropriations 1948	Expended 1948	Recommended 1949
Selectmen	\$800.00	\$772.32	Chairman \$300.00 Secretary 200.00 Other mem. 200.00 Expenses 100.00
Town Accountant	425.00	419.99	Salary 400.00 Expenses 25.00
Treasurer	690.00	694.51	Salary 525.00 Expenses 190.00
Tax Collector	800.00	797.50	Salary 500.00 Expenses 325.00
Assessors	900.00	919.34	Chairman 300.00 Other mem. 200.00 Other mem. 200.00 Expenses 200.00
Town Clerk	450.00	472.05	Salary 300.00 Plus fees Expenses 150.00
Certification of Notes	20.00	4.00	20.00
Law	200.00	130.00	150.00
Election and Registration	850.00	951.85	500.00
Town Hall	800.00	644.06	800.00
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00	275.01	300.00
American Legion Hdq.	400.00	374.10	400.00
Police	500.00	502.04	500.00
Fire Department	1,300.00	1,160.91	2,300.00
Forest Fires	1,100.00	542.17	1,100.00
Hydrant Service	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00	542.21	600.00
Tree Warden	200.00	199.08	1,000.00
Sealer Weights and Measures	85.00	77.12	85.00
Health	1,050.00	1,002.61	1,200.00
Highways—Chapter 81	4,120.00	27,295.00	4,120.00

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Account	Appropriations 1948	Expended 1948	Recommended 1949
Highways—Chap. 90, Maint.	500.00	1,500.05	500.00
Highways—Chap. 90, Con.	3,500.00	14,086.59	3,500.00
Highways—Snow Removal	7,500.00	7,716.10	6,000.00
Highways—Streets	100.00	171.80	100.00
Highways—Bridges	600.00	552.02	600.00
Street Lights	2,000.00	1,975.57	2,000.00
Public Welfare	4,400.00	4,291.07	4,400.00
Veterans' Aid	600.00	313.85	500.00
Old Age Assistance	33,000.00	32,715.54	21,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	3,250.00	3,107.35	3,250.00
Schools	82,840.00	81,538.35	93,165.00
Vocational Education	1,500.00	482.81	1,000.00
Caretaker Recreation Field	300.00	200.48	300.00
Cemeteries	750.00	750.00	850.00
Soldiers' Graves	100.00	100.00	200.00
Unclassified	400.00	423.00	500.00
Reserve Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,500.00
(From the Overlay Acct.)			(From Overlay Acct.)
Memorial Day	100.00	89.01	200.00
Armistice Day	50.00	51.20	50.00
Honor Roll	20.00	2.70	20.00
Insurance	3,097.69	3,078.47	3,100.00
Interest	300.00	305.69	300.00
Town Clock	100.00	100.00	100.00
Public Dump	50.00	50.00	100.00
Care of Common	150.00	128.00	150.00
Photostats of Discharges	50.00	18.00	25.00
Recreation Program	500.00	476.98	500.00
Retirement Payments	293.17	293.17	250.00
Clapp Memorial Library	700.00	704.53	700.00

All articles in the warrant are recommended.

WILLIAM N. WEBSTER

BYRON A. HUDSON

GUY C. ALLEN, JR.

ROMEO J. JOYAL

GEORGE E. BOOTH

Finance Committee

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TOWN of BELCHERTOWN

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1949



Please Bring This Report to Town Meeting

Town Officers, 1949

MODERATOR

Lewis H. Blackmer Term expires February 1950

TOWN CLERK

William E. Shaw Term expires February 1950

TOWN TREASURER

William E. Shaw Term expires February 1950

COLLECTOR OF TAXES AND TOWN COLLECTOR

William E. Shaw Term expires February 1952

SELECTMEN, BOARD OF HEALTH AND BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Isaac A. Hodgen Term expires February 1950

Francis M. Austin Term expires February 1950

Charles F. Austin Term expires February 1950

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Albert G. Markham Term expires February 1950

Fanny G. Morey Term expires February 1952

E. Clifton Witt Term expires February 1951

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Charles F. Austin Term expires February 1950

Fred F. Dewey Term expires February 1951

Howard H. Dickinson Term expires February 1952

ASSESSORS

Edward T. Parsons Term expires February 1951

Frederick E. Lincoln Term expires February 1950

George E. Booth Term expires February 1952

TREE WARDEN

Edward B. Conkey Term expires February 1950

CONSTABLES

Robert D. Camp (resigned March 23, 1949)

Frank L. Gold Term expires February 1950

D. Donald Hazen Term expires February 1950

Nelson J. Hill Term expires February 1950

Wilfred T. Weston Term expires February 1950

Andrew T. Sears (appointed) Term expires February 1950

ALMONERS OF WHITING STREET AND MRS. SUSAN M. D. BRIDGMAN FUNDS

Mrs. Amy B. Witt Term expires February 1950

Mrs. Louise A. Sherman Term expires February 1950

TRUSTEES OF CALVIN BRIDGMAN FUND

Lewis H. Blackmer Term expires February 1950

George A. Poole Term expires February 1951

D. Donald Hazen Term expires February 1952

APPOINTIVE OFFICERS

TRUSTEE FOR HAMP. CO. AID TO AGRICULTURE

Robert E. Hanifin

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Ella A. Stebbins Term expires December 1950

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Raymond T. Beaudoin Term expires February 1952

Daniel P. Shea Term expires February 1951

Roy G. Shaw Term expires February 1950

William E. Shaw (ex officio)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

William N. Webster Term expires February 1950

Ralph W. Trombly Term expires February 1950

Guy C. Allen, Jr. Term expires February 1951

Byron A. Hudson Term expires February 1952

Roméo J. Joyal Term expires February 1952

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Earl R. Howland

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN

Milton C. Baggs

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Harlan B. Davis

CHIEF OF POLICE

Frank L. Gold

SPECIAL POLICE

Dr. Henry A. Tadmell

John J. Cronin

Thomas P. Feeney

Paul T. Austin

State School Grounds

George B. Wyman

State School Grounds

George H. Greene

State School Grounds

Reo L. Terrien

State School Grounds

Frank E. Farrington

State School Grounds

Leon A. Geoffroy

State School Grounds

Daniel H. Schwartz

State School Grounds

Douglas Rhodes

Old Town Hall

Harlan B. Davis

Dog Officer

Emma Loftus

Street List

Minnie Flaherty

Street List

Marion Plant

Street List

SPECIAL AGENT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

Dr. Henry A. Tadmell

INSECTOR OF ANIMALS

Dr. Francis M. Austin

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Charles H. Eggleston (resigned)

John R. Newman

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Raymond C. Gay

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND LUMBER

Edwin F. Shumway Raymond C. Gay Theron V. Pratt

FENCE VIEWERS

Edwin F. Shumway Raymond C. Gay Clarence Robinson

FIELD DRIVERS

Rudolph Smola Frank P. Loftus Clarence Robinson

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Harry L. Ryther	
H. Morgan Ryther	
Helena Brown	
John J. Cronin	State School
John Flaherty	State School
Patrick J. Nagle	State School
Paul T. Austin	State School
Frank Lashway	State School
John Davis	State School
Theodore Picard	State School
Chester J. Sosnowski	State School
Aubrey Lapolice	State School
Sebastian Dudek	State School

DEPUTY FOREST FIRE WARDENS

Kenneth F. Bristol	Joseph J. Kempkes, Sr.
Roy G. Shaw	Louis E. Fuller
Guy C. Allen, Jr.	Carl J. Peterson
Isaac A. Hodgen	

MEMBERS BELCHERTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

1949

Milton C. Baggs
Joseph J. Kempkes, Sr.
Kenneth F. Bristol
Roy G. Shaw
Isaac A. Hodgen
Louis A. Shumway
Albert G. Markham
Sherman Gould
Guy C. Allen, Jr.
Joseph J. Kempkes, Jr.
Nelson J. Hill
Carl J. Peterson
Charles F. Austin

John Wood
Harold B. Ketchen
Louis E. Fuller
Harlan B. Davis
John A. Collis
William N. Webster
Royal K. Gay
Richard W. Lofland
Harold F. Peck
J. Raymond Gould
Ernest Gay
Elmer Carrington
Walter P. Piper

JURORS 1949

GRAND JUROR

John T. Flaherty

TRAVERSE JURORS DRAWN

February Term

Harry E. Sessions
Bertram A. Butler

June Term

Lloyd C. Chadbourne
Howard W. Knight

October Term

Michael V. Keyes
Harry W. Conkey

Report of Selectmen

By the Clerk

The Board organized at the first weekly meeting held on Thursday evening following the election, with Isaac A. Hodgen, Chairman, and Francis M. Austin, Clerk; Mr. Charles F. Austin, Chairman of the Board of Public Welfare; Dr. F. M. Austin, Chairman of the Board of Health.

The usual Thursday evening meetings were held throughout the year and special meetings were called to deal with problems that necessitated immediate attention.

The Board was represented at all State and County hearings when any problem that was of importance to the town was presented.

Special town meetings were called during the year.

After several years of efforts by Boards of Selectmen, this Board has the privilege of reporting the completion of the bridge on Maple St. This new structure and its approaches remove a serious public hazard, lessens the hill grade and affords a more pleasant avenue of approach and departure on Route No. 202 near the center of town.

The Chapter 81 road work under the supervision of Mr. Earl Howland has been efficiently completed. The construction of another section of the Three Rivers Road was completed very satisfactorily under the foremanship of Mr. E. F. Shumway; nearly \$2,000.00 was left over from this project. The purchase of new road machinery from time to time has done much to bring our roads to the good condition that in most instances is today pre-

sented.

This year sees the completion and efficient operation of the original survey of the public sewer, a project undertaken more than ten years ago. As a health measure, this was most needed. The necessary formality for taking land has been complied with for an extension of the sewer on Federal St.

A most willing cooperation has been shown throughout the year by the heads of all departments.

ISAAC A. HODGEN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

Report of the Board of Health

During the early summer, the dump, which was originally on the Bondsville Road, was moved to Hamilton St. on land owned by the town. We hope that the increased distance that some must now travel will be compensated by its isolation, and no longer in any way can it be a public nuisance.

The resignation of Mr. Charles Egleston, Inspector of Slaughtering, was received, and the appointment of Mr. John Newman was made to fill the unexpired term.

All complaints received by the Board during the year have been investigated, and a willing cooperation has been received in remedying them.

The following list of contagious diseases has been reported:

	Town	Belchertown State School
Diphtheria		1
Mumps	2	1
Measles	5	1
Chicken pox	24	5
Whooping cough	13	3
Dog bite	8	
Scarlet fever	1	17
Tuberculosis, pulmonary	2	1
Tuberculosis, other		1
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	55	30

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
 ISAAC A. HODGEN
 CHARLES F. AUSTIN

Report of Board of Public Welfare

Up to the present time, Belchertown has not experienced the increase in case load which seems to be prevalent throughout the State. Our case load is as follows:

	12-31-47	12-31-48	12-31-49
Old Age Assistance	76	76	75
Aid to Dependent Children	4	3	4
General Relief	5	3	2
Tewksbury State Hospital	1	2	1
Division of Child Guardianship	1	1	1

The Old Age Assistance Statistical Report for the year is as follows:

Number of Cases

Transferred to town	2
Applications approved and received aid	11
Applications approved and received no aid in 1949	1

Reasons for Closing

Deceased	11
Transferred from town	1
Attained technical ineligibility	3
Applications rejected	5

The fiscal report for the year is as follows:

Old Age Assistance

	Cases		Receipts	Net Cost
	Aided	Expenses		
Local payments	89	\$56,647.68		
To other cities and towns		2,299.98		
Federal grants in aid			25,238.50	
State reimbursement			20,580.07	
From other cities and towns			929.43	
Cancelled checks & refunds			238.71	
Total	89	\$58,947.66	\$46,986.71	\$11,960.95

Aid to Dependent Children

Local payments	4	4,174.35		
Federal grants in aid			1,778.78	
State reimbursement			1,429.93	
Total	4	\$4,174.35	\$3,208.71	\$965.64

General Relief

Local cases	3	745.90		745.90
Cases settled other cities and towns	2	140.00	45.50	94.50
State cases	3	497.37	497.37	
Westfield State Sanatorium		48.00		48.00
Tewksbury State Hospital	2	1,256.79		1,256.79
Division of Child Guardianship	1	512.69	225.00	287.69

Other—Insurance premium	36.95	15.40	21.55
Bills from other cities and and towns	2.00		2.00
Collection of old account		6.00	6.00
Total	11	\$3,239.70	\$789.27 \$2,450.43
Collection on life insurance policy of recipient			500.00
Net total			\$1,950.43

Administrative

Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children and General Relief	\$2,221.43		
Federal Administrative Grants for Old Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children		1,073.77	
Total	\$2,221.43	\$1,073.77	\$1,147.66

Net expense to the Town for Public Welfare for 1949 \$16,024.68

The Leisure Time Activity increase of \$4.00 a month for each recipient of Old Age Assistance became effective Dec. 1, 1949. This is all to be reimbursed. However, it will necessitate an increase in appropriation this year. There has been no other mandatory budgetary changes in Old Age Assistance or Aid to Dependent Children during the year.

An effort has been made to care for each recipient in his own home when special care has been necessary, unless so doing would jeopardize his physical condition. At the present time, we have two Old Age Assistance cases, and one General Relief case in licensed nursing homes. A large amount of the money spent for General Relief this year was for hospital expense, the amount spent on resident relief being comparatively small.

In 1949, the Federal Government reimbursed the town for about 48% of the total administrative expenses for the three categories of relief. This varies quarterly, being based on the

work load experience of the previous quater, Federal reimbursement being limited to 50% of the administrative expenses for Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children.

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
ISAAC A. HODGEN

Report of Veterans' Aid

One case was receiving aid on Jan. 1, 1949. The year closed with no cases receiving Veterans' Benefits. One veteran was hospitalized temporarily at the Cushing Veterans Administration Hospital, and then received placement at the Chelsea Soldiers' Home, thus effecting a saving to the town of \$600.00 a year. Most of the applications received for aid were from veterans living in other cities and towns, but who still have their settlement in Belchertown.

The following shows the expenses and receipts for the year:

	Cases			
	Aided	Expenses	Receipts	Net Cost
Regular benefits	4	\$342.00	\$266.27	\$76.63
Burials	1	150.00		150.00
Administrative expense		20.00		20.00
	5	\$512.90	\$266.27	\$246.63

CHARLES F. AUSTIN, *Agent*

Report of Assessors

The money to pay the cost of operating the town is derived from:

1. Taxation of real estate, personal estate and polls.
2. Grants, gifts and reimbursements from the Commonwealth and Federal Governments, and from other cities and towns.
3. Receipts of departments, available funds.
4. Licenses, permits and fines.
5. Miscellaneous other sources.

The amount to be raised by taxation was determined in this way:

The amount to be raised in the fiscal year	\$211,026.08
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Other expenses for the year:

State parks and reservations	249.07
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County tax	8,462.19
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Overlay of current year	4,824.58
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Gross amount to be raised	\$224,561.92
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Expected revenue from the Commonwealth
and other sources was estimated as 86,119.96

Available funds	47,800.83	133,920.79
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The sum to be raised by taxation is found by
deducting the expected revenue from the to-
tal expected expenditures which is \$90,641.13

Total valuation:		
Personal property		371,119.00
Real estate:		
Buildings	1,034,650.00	
Land	485,850.00	1,520,500.00
		\$1,891,619.00
Tax levy at \$47:		
Personal property	17,442.59	
Real estate	71,463.50	
Fractional gain	1.04	
Polls (867)	1,734.00	90,641.13
Omitted assessment:		
Personal	300.00	14.10
Added assessments:		
Personal	505.00	23.47
Real estate	5,575.00	262.03
Polls (3)		6.00

EDWARD T. PARSONS
GEORGE E. BOOTH
FREDERICK E. LINCOLN

Board of Assessors

Report of Collector

Real Estate Taxes 1949

Warrants of Assessors		\$71,881.00
Payments to Treasurer	\$60,200.15	
Abatements	620.41	
Outstanding December 31, 1949	11,060.44	
		\$71,881.00

Real Estate Taxes 1948

Outstanding January 1, 1949		\$12,078.53
Payments to Treasurer	\$9,584.47	
Abatements	123.38	
Tax Titles	1,219.65	
Outstanding December 31, 1949	1,151.03	
		\$12,078.53

Real Estate Taxes 1947

Outstanding January 1, 1949		\$700.70
Payments to Treasurer	\$676.81	
Outstanding December 31, 1949	23.89	
		\$700.70

Personal Taxes 1949

Warrants of Assessors		\$17,480.80
Refunds		9.40
		\$17,490.20

Payments to Treasurer	\$13,403.76	
Abatements	197.41	
Outstanding December 31, 1949	3,889.03	
	\$17,490.20	
Personal Taxes 1948		
Outstanding January 1, 1949		\$3,017.72
Payments to Treasurer	\$2,223.12	
Abatements	60.63	
Outstanding December 31, 1949	733.97	
	\$3,017.72	
Personal Taxes 1947		
Outstanding January 1, 1949		\$674.78
Payments to Treasurer	\$622.13	
Abatements	52.65	
	\$674.78	
Poll Taxes 1949		
Warrants of Assessors		\$1,742.00
Refund		2.00
Audit Adjustment		2.00
		\$1,746.00
Payments to Treasurer	\$1,554.00	
Abatements	190.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1949	2.00	
	\$1,746.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise 1949		
Warrants of Assessors		\$14,649.45
Refunds		414.78
		\$15,064.23

Payments to Treasurer	13,732.70
Abatements	645.46
Outstanding December 31, 1949	686.07

\$15,064.23

Motor Vehicle Excise 1948

Outstanding January 1, 1949		\$140.00
Warrant of Assessors	185.51	
Refunds		9.51
Audit Adjustment		.05

\$335.07

Payments to Treasurer	\$315.03
Abatements	19.03
Audit Adjustments	1.01

\$335.07

WILLIAM E. SHAW,

Collector of Taxes

Report of Treasurer

Dr.

Cash in Treasury January 1, 1949	\$51,194.63
Receipts January 1 to December 31, 1949	363,957.98
	\$415,152.61

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Warrants of Selectmen and Town Accountant	\$360,619.31
Cash in Treasury December 31, 1949	54,533.30
	\$415,152.61

Invested Fund

United States Treasury Notes	\$20,000.00
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Post War Rehabilitation Fund

Deposits	\$569.48
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Trust Funds

Whiting Street Fund	\$8,412.67
Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	3,500.00
George D. Longley School Music Fund	2,459.20
Calvin Bridgman High School Fund	6,533.44
Calvin Bridgman Library Fund	4,007.85
Willard A. Stebbins Cemetery Fence Fund	4,779.97
Susan M. D. Bridgman Cemetery Fund	398.31
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	\$23,288.58

WILLIAM E. SHAW, *Town Treasurer*

BALANCE SHEET

GENERAL ACCOUNTS ASSETS

LIABILITIES

Cash	\$785.76
Accounts Receivable:	12.00
Taxes:	587.86
Levy of 1947, Real Estate	13.68
Levy of 1948, Real Estate	8,103.23
Levy of 1948, Personal Property	70.12
Levy of 1949, Real Estate	50.00
Levy of 1949, Personal Property	31.25
Levy of 1949, Polls	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:	
Levy of 1949	698.46
Tax Titles	179.59
Tax Possessions	629.70
State Aid to Highways	10.51
County Aid to Highways	100.00
Departmental:	
Highways	\$1,985.76
Public Welfare	21.22
Old Age Assistance	10,685.57
Aid to Dependent Children	376.59
State and County Taxes:	100.00
State Parks and Reservations	363.50
	13,532.64
	5,930.06

County Tax
*Revenue 1950

493.64	584.49	Levy of 1949	3,818.76	5,727.65
	10,500.00	State and County Aid to Highways' Revenue		17,927.24
		Departmental Revenue		7,026.81
		Motor Vehicle Excise Revenue		686.07
		Tax Title Revenue		4,417.15
		Insurance Reserve Account		356.37
		Surp'us Revenue		45,659.27
	<u>\$112,535.42</u>			<u>\$112,535.42</u>

*\$5,000.00 of this amount to be taken from
Post War Rehabilitation Funds for Sewer
Construction, as voted by the town and ap-
proved by the Commissioner

		INDEBTEDNESS ACCOUNTS

		INDEBTEDNESS ACCOUNTS		
		Road Machinery Loan of 1947	\$2,000.00	
		Road Machinery Loan of 1949 (Grader)	10,000.00	
		Sewer Construction Loan of 1949	45,000.00	57,000.00

Net Funded or Fixed Debt

POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND

Savings Bank Deposit	\$569.48	Post War Rehabilitation Fund		\$569.48
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INVESTED FUND

United States Treasury Notes	\$20,000.00	Invested Fund		\$20,000.00
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TRUST ACCOUNTS

		TRUST ACCOUNTS		
		Whiting Street Poor Fund	\$8,412.67	
		Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	3,500.00	
		George D. Longley School Music Fund	2,459.20	
		Calvin Bridgman High School Fund	6,533.44	
		Calvin Bridgman Library Fund	4,007.85	
		Willard A. Stebbins Cemetery Fence Fund	4,779.97	
		Susan M. D. Bridgman Cemetery Fund	398.31	
Trust Funds and Securities	\$53,380.02	Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	23,288.58	53,380.02

Summary of Appropriations, Expenditures, Transfers, Etc.

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expendi- tures	Unex- pended
Selectmen	\$800.00	\$8.93*	\$808.93	
Town Accountant	425.00		423.65	1.35
Treasurer	715.00	130.50*	845.11	.39
Tax Collector	825.00		824.57	.43
Assessors	900.00	14.88*	914.88	
Town Clerk	450.00	4.56*	454.56	
Election and Registration	500.00		498.49	1.51
Certification of Notes	20.00		12.00	8.00
Law	150.00		70.00	80.00
Town Hall	800.00	37.71§	808.25	29.46
Renovation Old Town Hall		147.70†	147.32	.38
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00	50.00*	328.17	21.83
Legion Headquarters	400.00	3.50*	403.50	
Police	500.00	350.00*	824.36	25.64
Fire Department	2,300.00		2,250.02	49.98
Forest Fires	1,100.00		685.28	414.72
Hydrant Service	1,500.00		1,500.00	
Moth Suppression	600.00		599.89	.11
Tree Warden	1,000.00	31.65*	1,031.65	
Sealer Weights and Measures	85.00		77.77	7.23
Health	1,200.00	250.97*	1,450.97	
Highways—Chapter 81	4,120.00	25,750.00‡		
		8.80°	29,872.73	6.07
Highways—Chap. 90, Maint.	500.00	500.00‡		
		500.00**	1,500.00	
Highways—Chap. 90, Con.	2,500.00	5,000.00‡		
		2,500.00**	8,014.24	1,985.76
Highways—Snow	6,000.00		5,670.36	329.64
Highways—Streets	100.00		66.27	33.73
Sidewalks	500.00	24.66*	524.66	

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expenditures	Unexpended
Highways—Bridges	600.00	400.00*	985.30	14.70
Flood Control		400.00‡	352.83	47.17
		11.13§		
Road Machinery Expenses	3,000.00	1,149.45†	4,139.36	21.22
Sewers	28,800.00	1,344.30†		
		67.25§	19,525.98	10,685.57
Land Damages	200.00	377.59†	201.00	376.59
Clean., Repair. Water Holes	100.00			100.00
Street Lights	2,000.00		1,986.65	13.35
Public Welfare	4,400.00	70.89*	4,470.89	
Veterans' Aid	500.00	12.90*	512.90	
Old Age Assistance	34,000.00	30.47*		
		135.68§	34,166.15	
Aid Dependent Children	3,250.00		2,583.40	666.60
Schools	93,165.00	1.58§	93,161.65	4.93
Vocational Education	1,000.00		51.50	948.50
Parsons Athletic Field	300.00		182.25	117.75
Retirement Payments	250.00	.35*	250.35	
Cemeteries	850.00		849.71	.29
Soldiers' Graves	200.00		200.00	
Unclassified	500.00		486.80	13.20
Reserve Fund	1,500.00		1,485.14	14.86
Memorial Day	200.00		195.36	4.64
Armistice Day	50.00		50.00	
Honor Roll	20.00			20.00
Insurance	3,500.00		3,500.00	
Interest	300.00		115.08	184.92
Maturing Debt	1,000.00		1,000.00	
Town Clock	100.00		100.00	
Public Dump	100.00		41.67	58.33
Care of Common	150.00	100.00*	209.14	40.86
Photostats Discharges	25.00		12.00	13.00
Recreation Program	500.00		459.51	40.49
Clapp Memorial Library	700.00	.88*	700.88	
Clapp Mem. Library Rep.	4,000.00		3,636.50	363.50
Roof, Memorial Hall	2,000.00		1,850.00	150.00
Bardwell Street Light	56.25		56.25	
Road Mach. Grader	12,000.00		12,000.00	

†Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1949. ‡State Allotment. **County Allotment. °Disallowed. *Reserve Fund. §Refunds.

TOWN DEBT STATEMENT

Road Machinery Loan of 1947 \$2,000.00

Registered Notes bearing interest at the rate of one and three-fourths per cent per annum and maturing \$1,000.00 annually for four years from date of issue.

Amount payable in 1950 \$1,000.00

Sewer Construction Loan of 1949 \$45,000.00

Serial Notes bearing interest at the rate of two and one-half per cent per annum and maturing \$2,000.00 annually for 20 years from date of issue, and \$1,000 annually for five years thereafter.

Amount payable in 1950 \$2,000.00

Road Machinery Loan of 1949 \$10,000.00

Notes bearing interest at the rate of two per cent per annum and maturing \$2,000.00 annually for five years from date of issue.

Amount payable in 1950 \$2,000.00

RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS

From Reserve Fund to:

Selectmen's Expense Account	\$8.93	
Treasurer's Expense Account	130.50	
Assessors' Expense Account	14.88	
Town Clerk's Expense Account	4.56	
Lawrence Memorial Hall	50.00	
Legion Headquarters	3.50	
Police	350.00	
Tree Warden	31.65	
Health	250.97	
Sidewalks	24.66	
Bridges	400.00	
Public Welfare	70.89	
Veterans' Aid	12.90	
Old Age Assistance	30.47	
Retirement Payments	.35	
Care of Common	100.00	
Clapp Memorial Library	.88	\$1,485.14

January 31, 1950

I certify that as Town Accountant I have examined the cash accounts and trust fund accounts of Town Treasurer William E. Shaw and have found balances sufficient to cover said accounts in cash and in bank deposits.

Ella A. Stebbins, Town Accountant

January 31, 1950

Hampshire, ss.

Then personally appeared before me, Ella A. Stebbins, Town Accountant, and made oath that the above certificate is correct.

William E. Shaw, Justice of the Peace

ELLA A. STEBBINS, *Town Accountant*

Report of Town Clerk

Marriage intentions filed	31
Marriages recorded	33
Births recorded: 29 males, 36 females	65
Deaths recorded: 39 males, 25 females	64
Sporting licenses issued	388
Duplicate licenses issued	1
Free sporting licenses issued	24
Gross receipts for sporting licenses	\$859.75
Dog Licenses Issued:	
292 males	
48 females	
94 spayed females	
3 kennel	437
Gross receipts for dog licenses	\$1,055.25
Mortgages, Bills of Sale, etc., recorded	144

WILLIAM E. SHAW, *Town Clerk*

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Tested and sealed January 1, 1949—December 31, 1949:

Platform scales, 10,000 lbs. and over	2
Platform scales, 100 lbs. to 5,000 lbs.	5
Spring scales over 100 lbs.	2
Spring scales under 100 lbs.	18
Gasoline pumps	19
Tank meters	2
Ice cream license signed	1

I have collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer fees amounting to \$45.50.

RAYMOND C. GAY,
Sealer of Weights and Measures

Report of Tree Warden

Selectmen of Belchertown

Gentlemen:

The Dutch Elm Disease continues to be our greatest tree problem. This past year \$280.50 was expended on Dutch Elm removal, \$334.00 on spraying elms, and \$43.90 removing dead wood from healthy elm trees. \$85.35 was expended for general highway trimming and \$256.25 for blown-down and dangerous trees.

Passage of Chapter 761 of the General Laws, Acts of 1949, on August 27, places jurisdiction of control work on Dutch Elm Disease in the Department of Conservation, bringing a possibility of some state aid to towns in the future. Of the 30 elms condemned by the state foresters in the recent scouting survey of the town, all are in districts which were not sprayed.

My thanks to the citizens of the town and the board of selectmen for their cooperation.

Respectfully yours,

EDWARD B. CONKEY,

Tree Warden

Report of Dog Officer

Selectmen of Belchertown

Gentlemen:

Collected taxes on 33 dogs, receiving \$42 on males, \$45 on females, \$6 on spayed females; handed William Shaw, Town Clerk, \$93.

Picked up 35 stray dogs, found owners for 11, destroyed 21, and sold 3 dogs for \$13.50; handed the same to William Shaw, Town Treasurer.

HARLAN B. DAVIS

Dog Officer

Report of Chief of Police

To the Board of Selectmen

Belchertown, Mass.

Gentlemen:

There were 120 arrests made in the Town during the year of 1949. The violations are listed as follows:

	Males	Females
Assault and Battery	2	1
Assault to Commit Rape	1	
Loaded guns in Automobiles	2	
Hawking and Peddling	2	
Leaving Scene of Accident	1	
Passing through Stop Signs	30	
Breaking and Entering	2	
Neglect of Minor Children	4	
Disturbing the Peace	4	
Driving to Endanger	9	1
Driving a motor vehicle while intoxicated	14	
Drunkenness	37	
Fornication	1	
*Violation of Road Laws	2	
Speeding	6	
Concealing Mortgaged Property	1	
*Passing on hills without proper vision		

The appropriation provided at the annual Town Meeting, held in February of 1949, was insufficient for the added services requested by the Selectmen. Traffic duty in the center of the town on Saturdays and Sundays resulted in slowing down of speeders, complying with the road laws, and properly observing the Stop Signs. The use of a Special Officer for traffic duty at stated intervals on school days has made the highways safer for pedestrians. However, these special services cost money, and if they are to be continued during 1950, a larger appropriation will be required.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK L. GOLD

Chief of Police

Report of Fire Chief and Forest Warden

Selectmen of Belchertown

Gentlemen:

During the year ending Dec. 31, 1949, the Fire Department has responded to 75 calls:

21 Calls for the Emergency Truck

1 Auto Fire

31 Forest Fires

22 Building Fires

The buildings in which loss occurred had an assessed value of \$2,875.00, the estimated loss \$9,400.00, covered by \$12,700.00 insurance, on which \$6,249.05 was paid.

Respectfully submitted,

MILTON C. BAGGS

Fire Chief and Forest Warden

Report of Old Town Hall Committee

To the Citizens of Belchertown:

The increasing use of the Old Town Hall is gradually working up to a seven-day week basis. As more of our youth are taking advantage of its facilities, the worth of the renovation program becomes more and more apparent.

Added improvements the past year include refinishing of the floor, painting of the lower half of the walls and windows, and attaching to the sewer system.

Much credit for the upkeep of the building is due Mr. Willard H. Young, under whose direction the painting was done, and many of the small repairs have been made at no expense to the town.

As before stated, it is the wish of the Committee to have it widely known that this building is for the use of one and all in the realization of a more wholesome and fairer influence in the atmosphere of our town.

ISAAC A. HODGEN
WILLARD H. YOUNG
E. CLIFTON WITT

Report of Summer Recreation Committee

PLAYGROUND REPORT

Chairman

Belchertown Recreation Committee

First of all, I would like to offer my sincere thanks to the committee for their very fine cooperation during the summer activities. It was a great pleasure for which I am very grateful.

Secondly, I would like to thank the many people of the town, merchants and citizens, for their invaluable assistance to the program.

Thirdly, the people as a unit should be thanked for sponsoring such a project as a town function. It is gratifying to see that the townspeople think enough of the youth of the town to encourage their recreational activities in a financial way. Though the program is really in its infancy, it has a fine start towards developing into something of which the town can well be proud.

During the summer period, we had an average attendance of about forty youngsters daily. This varied with the weather, naturally. For the most part the playground activities were well attended and well received by the youngsters, who utilized the advantages offered them. The morning period until dinner time was generally spent in the more strenuous pastimes such as baseball, softball, volleyball, kickball, basketball and various group games. The afternoon activities usually included the learning and practice of arts and crafts. Among these were plaster modeling, painting, modeling, soap sculpturing, basket weaving, making pot-holders, spool knitting, embroidering, sewing and a few other things.

One day each week was spent down at the lake swimming and picnicking. When the weather was wet or threatening, we would gather a group of boys and go to one of the lakes or nearby streams fishing, sometimes inviting the girls to go along. They enjoyed spending time at the brook back of Chevalier's, wading in the cool water on the extremely hot days. The boys had a baseball team and managed to play home and home games with Ludlow and Monson, gaining much valuable experience as well as pleasure.—Once a week there would be some activity for the group to enjoy, such as Hobo Party, Costume Party, Scavenger Hunt, Field Days, and Doll Parades. The prizes were generally donated by the merchants of town.—All in all, it was a most enjoyable summer for myself and for the youngsters who participated.

It is recommended that this program not be limited to summers only, but should be carried on throughout the entire year, either in two parts (1) (a) Summer Recreational Program and (b) Fall-Winter-Spring Recreational Program, or (2) as a complete year around program. The cost would not be too great in comparison to the present outlay, because there are very adequate facilities for such a program.

Leagues should be formed for the many seasonal sports, such as touch football, basketball and softball; and minor sports such as badminton, volleyball, tennis, horseshoes, chess and checkers, etc. There is no reason why such a program could not be carried on in Belchertown at a minimum of expense. Much equipment is already on hand, and the rest can be made available at a low cost to the town.

A program of this kind would pay dividends to the town almost immediately. Youngsters, as well as older groups, could be instructed in the many phases of physical education and recreation; they could learn the necessities of teamwork, cooperation and sportsmanship; and at the same time, could be providing entertainment and pleasant hours for everyone in town. Best of all, it could channel the activities of the youngsters of the town into constructive and educational pursuits. This is a

major problem in every town.

I should like to add at this time that there are three outstanding needs for Parsons Field. (1) A tree belt along the south or southwest side of the field to provide shade for the summer activities, (2) facilities of some sort for storing playground equipment, and (3) toilets under cover, properly connected with the sewer.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER B. EISOLD

To the Advisory Committee, consisting of Mrs. Jean Chatfee, Mrs. Mary Young and Mr. Elwyn Doubleday, the Recreation Committee extends its sincere thanks for their hours of service on this project.

ISAAC A. HODGEN

E. CLIFTON WITT

WILLIAM N. WEBSTER

Report of Cemetery Commissioners

The Cemetery Commissioners submit the following list of expenditures from the Town Appropriation for the year 1949:

Mount Hope	\$430.00
Soldiers' Graves	197.40
Evergreen	16.00
Lake Vale	52.00
Liberty	22.00
South Center	90.00
Dwight	30.00
Rural	50.00
Hillcrest	91.00
Material, etc.	72.13 \$1,049.53

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. AUSTIN
HOWARD H. DICKINSON
FRED F. DEWEY

Annual Report

OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION

School Committee

	Term Expires
ALBERT G. MARKHAM, Chairman	1950
E. CLIFTON WITT	1951
MRS. FANNY G. MOREY	1952

Superintendent of Schools and Secretary of School Committee

EDWIN A. COX, Residence, William Street, Ware, Mass.
Telephone: Ware Res., 704-R
Ware Off., 69

Administrative Assistant

CARL J. PETERSON Residence, So. Main St., Belchertown
Telephone: Belchertown Res., 3813
Belchertown Off., 3111

Secretary and Clerk

Mrs. May Rose Dewey, Residence, No. Main St., Belchertown
Telephone: Res. Belchertown, 3591

Meetings of School Committee

At 7.30 P. M. on the second Wednesday of the Month

School Nurse

MRS. MINNIE DAVIS, R. N., Res.: So. Main St., Belchertown
Telephone: Belchertown, 4051

School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD, M. D. Res.: Maple St., Belchertown
Telephone: Belchertown, 2411

Attendance Officer

D. DONALD HAZEN Res.: Maple St., Belchertown
Telephone: Belchertown, 2031

No School Signal

5 Siren Signals at 7.30 A. M.

Report of School Committee

To the Citizens of Belchertown:

The school committee has held its regular monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of each month. Many special meetings were also necessary.

Due to unexpected large enrollment in our schools Sept. 1st, 1949, it was necessary to move the sixth grade from the Center Grade school to Memorial Hall. It was also necessary to hire an extra first and second grade teacher for the Center school.

At a special town meeting, the town was asked to raise money to remodel a room in the Library, to be used for a home economics department. The town voted favorably, and Mr. Charles Dingman of Palmer was chosen as architect. This work has been completed, and classes are now being held in this room. The sixth grade has been moved into the room vacated by the home economics department.

The school committee wishes to thank the Library trustees for their cooperation and help in obtaining this room for school purposes.

Many repairs to our school plants have been made. All rooms in Franklin School were painted, and a new cellar entrance was installed. The outside trim on Franklin, Center and the High School has been painted. The floor in the sixth grade room in the high school has been leveled and asphalt tile installed. Many wooden floors in classrooms were refinished.

Last spring, a salary schedule was adopted for the teachers. One of the features of this schedule is that it recognizes credit courses taken during the year, also encourages professional

study.

The school nurse has been placed on a full time schedule. This is a great step forward in our health program. It would be nice if some of the local or civic groups would find means whereby they could purchase some of the equipment used by the school nurse for testing eyes and ears. The equipment loaned by the state is not always available when it would be most convenient for our use.

Due to the increased enrollment in our schools during the past years, it has not been possible to replace books as often as the committee would have liked, or to buy as many visual and auditory aids as are necessary. However, steps have been taken to remedy this situation, and a replacement program is now in operation.

Increased pupil load at the Center Schools has made it impossible for one man to properly care for the school buildings. The committee hope this year to partially alleviate the situation by employing a part time helper to assist with the sweeping and cleaning in these buildings.

The cost of repairs and alterations to Liberty school would be excessive and we recommend the instant closing of this building and the transferring of the pupils to Franklin school.

The state building assistance committee does not feel that the present plans for an addition to the Center school are adequate and will not approve them. We feel that something must be done for increased room this year and we recommend the appointment of a building committee to work with the school committee. We believe that a new six-room school can be built for about one hundred and fifty thousand dollars. With the state paying fifty per cent, the actual cost to the town would be \$75,000.00, plus interest over a period of twenty to twenty-five years.

We wish to thank Mr. Carl Peterson and Mr. Edwin Cox for their splendid cooperation and fine work during the past year.

State aid to public schools has greatly increased the past year. Although our budget has increased, the net increase to the taxpayers is only \$1,581.37.

By unanimous vote the Belchertown School Committee respectfully ask the Town to appropriate the sum of \$102,830.00 for the running of the schools during 1950.

PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET 1950

	1949	1950
	Expenditures	Expenditures
GENERAL CONTROL		
Salaries		
(a) School Committee	130.00	130.00
(b) Superintendent	563.39	900.00
Expenses: Inc. Out-of-State Travel		
(a) School Committee	46.65	50.00
(b) Superintendent: Travel, Telephone, Clerk, Correspondence, etc.	1,762.97	2,025.00
(c) Law Enforcement	13.48	50.00
INSTRUCTION		
Teachers' Salaries	55,021.34	62,285.00
Teachers' Expenses	352.79	385.00
Instruction Supplies and Textbooks	4,850.42	3,000.00
OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT		
Janitor Service	2,890.23	3,650.00
Expenses of Operation	1,696.60	1,300.00
Fuel	2,844.79	2,900.00
REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS	2,938.46	3,000.00
HEALTH		
School Physician	250.00	250.00
School Nurse	1,811.58	2,540.00
Supplies	39.98	35.00
TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS	14,131.00	16,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS		
Cartage, Express, Diplomas, Insurance, etc.	320.89	330.00
HOUSEHOLD ARTS	2,946.83	3,500.00

OUTLAY

New Equipment and Building Alteration	548.67	500.00
EXPENDED FROM SPECIAL FUNDS	206.35	
	\$93,366.42	102,830.00

Section 10 of School Aid, Chapter 643, Acts of 1948, requires School Committees, when submitting their school budgets, to include an estimate of the following receipts:

Group A.

1. School Aid Chapter 643	\$27,770.12	
2. Transportation	10,740.00	
3. Union Superintendent Reimbursement	453.66	
4. Vocational Household Arts	1,433.29	40,397.07

Group B.

1. Tuition and Trans. of State Wards	\$9,824.91	
2. Smith Hughes Fund	106.35	
3. George Barden Fund	100.00	10,031.26
		\$50,428.33

Total to be expended for support of
schools \$102,830.00

Minus: Group A. Receipts \$40,397.07
Group B. Receipts 10,031.26 50,428.33 \$52,401.67
Approximate amount to be raised by local taxation \$52,401.67

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT G. MARKHAM
FANNY G. MOREY
E. CLIFTON WITT

Report of Superintendent of Schools

Members of the School Committee and Citizens of Belchertown.

I am submitting, herewith, my second annual report on the Belchertown Public Schools.

In reviewing the events of the past year, I am reminded of the Outline of Action in last year's report. The first topic stressed Housing Conditions. It was stated in the report a year ago, and it must be re-emphasized today, "Belchertown has a school building problem." The problem is more serious today than it was at that time, due to the fact that more pupils are enrolled in our schools. Our housing problem is very serious. Something MUST be done soon to alleviate it. Furthermore, the Commonwealth offers to pay 50% of the construction costs of any building constructed by the town and meeting specific requirements, and considerably more for a regional school. However, the School Building Assistance Act of 1948 (Chapter 645) expires June 30, 1951.

In topic 2. Crowded Classrooms. There is a considerable increase in enrollment figures in 1949 over 1948. Until the day that more building space is available, one cannot expect to make any improvement here.

In topic 3. Need for curriculum revision. Here the focus is on curriculum design, and how that design may be put into practice. The method is that of cooperative thinking by groups of teachers trained in the fundamentals of the educative process. It is no simple matter and will take considerable time and effort. Progress is being made and will result in better ed-

ucation for Belchertown.

In topic 4, the Outline pertained to finances. It takes money to operate the schools of Belchertown. You, as citizens, were invited to follow up your 1949 investment. Visit your schools. See for yourself. Your opinion will be courteously received and carefully considered. Education is a community enterprise. It is your enterprise. Study it first hand.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Several changes have occurred in your schools during 1949. A shortage of available teachers has made good teachers difficult to find and more difficult to retain. However, we are fortunate in obtaining new teachers, who have made excellent progress, and are valuable additions to the faculty.

WITHDRAWALS

Mrs. Marie Cincotta, teacher of French and English, and Miss Marguerite Meehan, teacher of Commercial subjects.

APPOINTMENTS

Miss Nancy Lee Hudson was appointed as teacher of French and English, and Mr. John J. Connolly was appointed as teacher of Commercial Subjects.

Due to the increased enrollment at the Center School, it was necessary to hire a teacher for a combined 1st and 2nd grade group. Miss Elaine Curtin was appointed to this position.

REPAIRS

The major project of the year was the painting of the exterior woodwork at Franklin, Center and the High School Buildings.

The interior of Franklin School was all repainted and a cement block entrance built to the cellar.

The chairs in the Science Room at the High School Building were replaced with a tubular steel arm chair.

BUDGET

When you work with inflated dollars,

Is it necessary to penalize the scholars?

The quality of our schools is dependent on the financial support you are willing to give them through the taxes you pay. Education in this respect does not differ from any other important service or commodity. The fact is we are using inflated dollars, and it takes a lot more dollars and cents to pay for the same pound of butter, one suit of clothes, the same amount of living space (rent), and the same amount of returns from our taxes that we have paid in the past. The cost of living has almost doubled since 1943.

Next year the total cost of maintaining the Belchertown Public Schools requires an expenditure of \$102,830. Receipts, however, form an important part of any budget. An estimated \$50,428.33 will be returned to the Town Treasurer in 1950. Therefore, the net cost of your schools in 1950 will be approximately \$52,401.07.

REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

The regional high school has for its purpose that of consolidating the secondary schools of two or more towns into a single unit to provide a better and more extensive educational program. It is generally understood that the size of the school and the cost of education are directly related. The smaller the school, the greater the cost; other factors held constant. In Massachusetts, the cost of secondary education ranges from \$100.00 per pupil to \$442.00 per pupil. The most expensive high school in the state has a per pupil cost of \$442.00 and an enrollment of 31 pupils.

In the Commonwealth, the small high school is one of the greatest educational problems. It was so recognized by the Recess Commission on Education of the General Court. It was first on the list for study. When one considers that more than one-half of the high schools of the state are within the small school category, one must realize that the problems that they present have significant implication for the whole democratic system of life and education within the Commonwealth.

The people of the small towns are sincere in their efforts to provide good educational programs for their children, but the

necessary financial resources, the needed equipment, and the trained personnel necessary to provide such programs are lacking in most cases. The high cost of operation of such a school, together with the failure to offer a program broad enough to fill the needs of the high school student of today, have been powerful incentives in the motivation of regional high school study.

Recent legislation passed by the Commonwealth makes available funds for assisting towns in the construction of modern school plants. The amount of money any school district may receive varies first according to the wealth of the district and the number of children attending school as indicated by the "net average membership". The money which is available under Chapter 638 of the Acts of 1948, is receivable only if the project is approvable by the newly formed School Building Assistance Commission. Direct encouragement in the form of a grant of a higher per cent, 35-65% as compared to 20-50%, of the cost of the project is given to those districts who are willing to improve the educational opportunities of their children by forming more efficient administrative units. The State recognizes the inefficiency of schools that are too small in enrollment or supported by too small a tax base to offer complete, well-rounded educational programs in school plants that are modern, safe, and adequate. In order to assist in the improvement of such conditions, it is offering a substantially higher share of the cost of the school plant necessary to house a better educational program.

In a program of the above mentioned school, there should be a well-rounded educational offering that should include vocational, business, and college preparatory curriculums, as well as health, music, dramatics, and physical education courses. Ample administrative, clerical, supervisory, and janitorial help should be available to operate the school efficiently and economically. Transportation should be available for all students during the regular sessions and for the various types of after-school activities. A good library, auditorium, gymnasium, and cafeteria is essential. Medical and dental clinics and nurse service should be provided and should be adequate.

On the strength of the above facts, it seems certain that a regional high school in the Ware-Belchertown area is the answer to the secondary education problem facing the several towns today.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Closing of the one-room schools as soon as sufficient classroom space is available.
2. Further development of Adult Education. (A rug-hooking class is scheduled to start within a few weeks.)
3. Construction of a school to house some of the elementary grades now crowded into the Center School.
4. A comparative high school survey in the area which in all probability will result in the construction of a regional high school.
5. Consideration of kindergarten education when space is available.

CONCLUSION

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the School Committee for their confidence in me and for their valuable assistance during the past year. The loyalty, industry, and esprit de corps of Mr. Peterson and the staff is deeply appreciated. To the citizens of Belchertown I express my appreciation for their support and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN A. COX,

Superintendent of Schools

January 2, 1950

Report of High School Principal

Mr. Edwin A. Cox

Superintendent of Schools:

My annual report as Principal of Belchertown High School is herewith submitted:

The enrollment in September, 1949, was:

	Boys	Girls	Totals
Seniors	13	15	28
Juniors	17	22	39
Sophomores	16	10	26
Freshmen	22	20	42
	—	—	—
	68	67	135
Eighth Grade	29	18	47
Seventh Grade	29	28	57
Sixth Grade	20	14	34
	—	—	—
	146	127	273

There were thirteen girls and six boys in the 1949 graduating class. Of this group, Ann Austin is a freshman at Mount Holyoke College; Virginia Booth, Ruth Sullivan and William Russell are attending the University of Massachusetts and Francis Loftus is enrolled in the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at the same institution; Mary Bush is in training at Gardner Hospital; Betty Bishop, Anna Geslock and Rose Noel are employed at the Belchertown State School; George Lofland

has enlisted in the Armed Services; Marilyn Mason is working at Mount Holyoke College; Dorothy Socha has employment at Rogers Plastics; Shirley Snow is employed at Jackson's Store; Stanley Czech is working at Tampax; Barbara Barrett, Fay Hislop, Stanley Antonovitch and Marcel Fontaine are at their homes; and Edna Lamoureux and Bruce Barrett, class of '48, are married.

The different classes have carried on their various activities such as: the senior trip to Washington, Christmas program, Junior Prom, senior reception, freshman reception, Red Cross Drive, parties, food sales, food stand and floats at the fair, senior class play, "Double Trouble," and the publishing of The Oracle and Yearbook.

American Education Week, November 6 through 12, was observed this year by having open house. The members of the faculty were present in their respective rooms for consultations with parents. There was a good attendance, so that the project was thought quite worth while.

Since last September, special assemblies have been held with the following guests: Mr. Trentwell White, President of Leslie College; Barbara Hudson, B. H. S. 1947, who graduated from Emerson last year; Bill Hayes, a representative of the Chicago White Sox, who gave an address on "Sportsmanship;" a group of 35 from New Salem Academy that rendered several musical selections.

Under the guidance of Mrs. Tague and Mr. Connolly, the juniors studying United States History visited the "Hadley Farm Museum," in Hadley, one afternoon last October. The purpose of the trip was to study the tools, vehicles, and equipment used by the early colonists, so that the subject matter would be more realistic to the members of the class.

Our interscholastic sports are basketball and baseball. In March, our basketball team played in the supplementary division of the Western Massachusetts Small Schools Basketball Tournament at the University of Massachusetts. We have again been fortunate in having two excellent young men from Springfield

College assist in the physical education program.

Several pupils have participated in various contests sponsored by the school and other organizations. Some of these include: The American Legion Oratorical Contest, The Lions Club Essay Contest, The Elks Essay Contest, The Historical Essay Contest, The American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Poster Contest, and the Good Government Day Program.

Jean Squires and Barbara Young attended Girls' State last June, and Richard Hazen was our representative at Boys' State. The purpose of these meetings is to teach good government practices to students who will soon be leaders in civic affairs.

Delegations of students, usually under the direction of Mrs. Pero and other members of the faculty, have attended plays at Clark University in Worcester and Amherst College. The junior and senior classes were guests at a Guidance "Career Day" at Ware High School last spring. About thirty pupils were present at the Western Massachusetts League of School Publications Convention at the University of Massachusetts in October.

The Freshman Civics Class, directed by Mrs. Tague, sponsored a hobby show during the fall term. The exhibits were shown in the Clapp Memorial Library because of the crowded conditions at Memorial Hall. Many interesting collections and hobbies were displayed. Not only did the pupils participate but also a number of townspeople made entries. Over 200 persons attended.

We are grateful for the use of new textbooks in United States History, economic geography, consumer's mathematics, and commercial subjects. Also, we appreciate the new maps. The students have purchased a radio with F. M., A. M. and phonograph attachments combination, new costumes for the cheer leaders, new basketball uniforms, and a slide film projector. The school now has a library of twelve films which were presented by the senior class of 1949.

The Iowa tests of Educational Development were taken by all of the pupils of the high school last fall. The results of the tests serve as a basis for more adequate individualization of instruction, a guide to the selection of the content of the course and of

supplementary materials, and as a means of attacking the problem of improving the pupil's knowledge of and ability to use important sources of information and as a partial basis for advising students concerning their education and vocational plans. The major purposes of this testing program are to provide dependable measures of the general educational background, growth and development of individual pupils, thereby insuring better instruction and guidance in accordance with pupil needs and to provide a more dependable and objective basis for the overall evaluation of the entire educational offering of the school.

In November, the members of the junior and senior classes were given the vocational battery fields of interests tests administered by the Cooperative Guidance and Testing Service of Boston University. A summary follows:

	Grade 11		Grade 12	
	New England Median	Belcher- town Median	New England Median	Belcher- town Median
Mental Maturity	103.3	106.0	108.2	112.0
Reading Comprehension	48.2	51.5	51.7	54.0
Problem Solving	5.0	5.6	5.7	8.0
Space Relationship	40.7	41.3	42.8	45.0
Number Checking	106.2	108.0	110.9	106.5
Name Checking	106.3	112.5	114.4	112.0

As a test to determine whether or not our schools meet the imperative needs of youth of secondary-school age, I would like to bring before you a report of a national survey of curriculum provisions and needs by the Committee on Curriculum Planning and Development of the National Association of Secondary-School Principals.

IMPERATIVE NEED NUMBER I: All youth need to develop salable skills, and those understandings and attitudes that make the worker an intelligent and productive participant in economic life. To this end, most youth need supervised work experience, as well as education in the skills and knowledge of

their occupations.

IMPERATIVE NEED NUMBER II: All youth need to develop and maintain good health and physical fitness.

IMPERATIVE NEED NUMBER III: All youth need to understand the rights and duties of a citizen of a democratic society, and to be diligent and competent in the performance of their obligations as members of the community and citizens of the state and nation, and of the world.

IMPERATIVE NEED NUMBER IV: All youth need to understand the significance of the family for the individual and society, and the conditions conducive to successful family life.

IMPERATIVE NEED NUMBER V: All youth need to know how to purchase and use goods and services intelligently, understanding both the values received by the consumer and the economic consequences of their acts.

IMPERATIVE NEED NUMBER VI: All youth need to understand the methods of science, the influence of human life, and the main scientific facts concerning the nature of the world and of man.

IMPERATIVE NEED NUMBER VII: All youth need opportunities to develop their capacities to appreciate beauty in literature, art, music and nature.

IMPERATIVE NEED NUMBER VIII: All youth need to be able to use their leisure time well and to budget it wisely, balancing activities that yield satisfactions to the individual with those that are socially useful.

IMPERATIVE NEED NUMBER IX: All youth need to develop respect for other persons, to grow in their insight into ethical values and principles, and to be able to live and work cooperatively with others.

IMPERATIVE NEED NUMBER X: All youth need to grow in their ability to think rationally, to express their thoughts clearly, and to read and listen with understanding.

Whatever success a school obtains results from the cooperation and support of citizens, parents, school officials, co-workers, and all others who are interested in this important work of training future citizens to perpetuate our democracy so that human rights and not tyranny and despotism shall prevail.

Respectfully submitted,

GUY E. HARRINGTON

Principal of the High School

Report of Household Arts Supervisor

Mr. Edwin A. Cox

Superintendent of Schools

Dear Mr. Cox:

As everyone in Belchertown knows, the overcrowded conditions in the High School finally resulted in the necessity for moving the Household Arts Department out of the building altogether, a change which is in process at this moment, and one which will probably be completed by the time the reports are printed. So our big news is that we are to have a large room of our own in the basement of Clapp Memorial Library.

Parents and other adults will find this new room as beautiful and suitable to its purpose as the girls will. All the work has been well planned and executed in excellent taste. With the splendid equipment furnished by the town during these past few years installed in a spacious room with new fluorescent lighting, new heating, plumbing, cabinets, and all the rest, we have every reason to congratulate ourselves. The change will give us an opportunity to give more homemaking emphasis to the work, whis is as it should be.

However, the Department will miss its close contact with the rest of the school, and certainly hopes it will be called upon frequently to aid in all sorts of projects.

There are at present five Sophomores, seventeen Freshmen, and seventeen Eighth-Grade girls enrolled, making a total of thirty-nine. The fact that last year's total of thirty-eight included only seven Freshmen makes this year's figures encour-

aging. We like to see a large number of high school girls engaged in the work.

Last spring, the Sophomores had a trip to Springfield Trade School, where they were most graciously received, and were given an excellent idea of the courses offered there. Several girls hope to continue their studies at Trade after their graduation from B. H. S.

We hope that this trip will be an annual occasion for the Sophomore group and that two or three other places of interest may be added. Field trips can do much to emphasize the contents of the course.

The objective for the Eighth Grade is to teach as many of the fundamentals of both cooking and sewing as is possible during the two double periods which they have each week. In sewing they learn to operate both treadle and electric sewing machines. Thus far they have made their aprons for the cooking classes and are now working on either pajamas or tailored blouses. They prepare breakfast and simpler luncheon and dinner dishes. Learning to use the ranges and properly to preserve foods are other parts of the course.

During the Freshman year, the girls continue with the fine arts of sewing and cooking, with the addition of homemaking. Care and use of equipment and housekeeping duties are always stressed. The foundation is laid for meal planning and good nutrition.

Each Sophomore girl has planned a luncheon, done the marketing, and supervised the other girls in preparing and serving the meal to the class. The girls in this division prepared and served a luncheon to the thirty-five students and teachers from New Salem who presented the December Christmas assembly program. New dishes have just been purchased for the serving of meals prepared in class. They will add much to the attractiveness of the meals and to the interest of the girls.

Miss Marcia Gardner, a practice teacher from the University of Massachusetts, has given a short course in Home Decoration, which the girls greatly enjoyed. The Home Nursing course is

being repeated this year, with Mrs. Davis assisting in the work, both practical and theoretical.

Hot lunches were discontinued as of last September. Many expressions of regret have been heard from both teachers and pupils. There is a crying need in Belchertown for a school lunch program, a need which the discontinuance of the small program carried on by this Department for many years has more greatly emphasized.

As I have always found to be true, the School Department has been most generous and most considerate in caring for the needs of the Household Arts Department. As a result, we look forward to the months ahead with pleasure and confidence.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE N. JACKSON

January 9, 1950

Report of School Nurse

Mr. Edwin A. Cox

Superintendent of Schools

Dear Mr. Cox:

Herewith is submitted my fifth annual report as School Nurse of the Belchertown Schools for the year ending December 31, 1949.

Communicable diseases were few until this Fall when Whooping Cough and Chicken Pox slowly but eventually made a marked decrease in attendance in the first two grades at the Center School. At present the number of cases of Whooping Cough is low but Chicken Pox seems to be on the increase. Pediculosis in some schools appears to be forever present. Due to overcrowded conditions and lack of parental cooperation on the part of some, these conditions are difficult to overcome.

Miss Genevieve Ely, Dental Hygienist, State Department of Public Health, has just completed a dental survey of all children in the school system, whose parents granted permission, the object of this survey being to determine how greatly we are in need of a Dental Clinic for school children. To date, the report has not been received from the Department.

This fall, I attended a Workshop for School Nurses held in Northampton. A great deal of information was presented. I feel that it was to my advantage to attend these meetings, and the material will be of value to me in my work.

In the near future, Dr. Francis O'Brien, of Leeds State Sanitarium, will conduct a Tuberculosis Clinic for all High School

pupils. With parents' approval, each pupil will be given an intra-dermal test for Tuberculosis. All positive reactors will then be given a Chest X-Ray. Medical authorities have discovered that T. B. can strike anyone, and that the period of adolescence is a period of great susceptibility. From the teen ages on, T. B. becomes a real danger. T. B. germs that have been quiet in the body a long time can suddenly flare into disease. As our children grow older, go to work, travel and mix with other folks, there will be a constant threat of T. B. germs entering into their body from the outside. Don't let their lives be ruined. Make certain they are O. K. Let us make the response to this Clinic 100 per cent.

In order to help prevent the spread of communicable disease, I am again appealing for parental cooperation. Parents should keep children home when they show evidence of any of the following symptoms: vomiting, sore throat, earache, fever, skin eruptions, red or discharging eyes, coughing, enlarged glands, running nose, headaches, pain or chill. A child with one or more of these symptoms should be kept under close observation, and if the condition becomes serious, put under a Doctor's care. It is the only way to insure rapid recovery with a minimum of effects. Riding a school bus or walking to school and sitting in a crowded classroom until he is "spotted" by a teacher or the nurse, endangers not only your child's health, but all other children who have come in contact with him. Don't send your child to school to ask the nurse what is wrong with him. He has come in contact with a great many children by that time, and much damage is done. If there is any question concerning his well-being, keep him home and watch for other symptoms.

All children who have been absent with a communicable disease, must bring a slip from the family physician or School Doctor when he returns to school.

Careful observance of the following health habits will help your boy or girl during the growing-up period of their lives. Eat the kind and amount of food needed for normal growth. A good wholesome breakfast starts the day off right. Go to bed regular-

ly in a well ventilated room at an early hour to get enough sleep. Science has proven that sufficient sleep is more vital than food to maintain life. No pupil can do good work without sufficient sleep and rest. Nothing should be allowed to interfere with the regular bedtime of a school child on school nights. It shows the next day. Regular and sanitary toilet habits. Carrying a clean handkerchief or tissue to school every day and use properly to cover the nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing. Wash hands with soap and water before eating and after using toilet. Shampoo hair often enough to keep hair clean. Inspect hair at least once a week. At least one all-over cleansing bath each week. Keep finger nails trimmed and clean. Long dirty finger nails harbor germs. Brush teeth in the morning and before retiring. Visit a dentist at least once a year. Have them dressed properly for the weather, Sufficient fresh air, sunshine, rest and exercise are also necessary for a wholesome life.

Due to the fact that the school population is increasing all over, the necessary equipment to follow out the routine school work is slower in being passed from one school system to another. This means that the work must be done faster when it is available. I still feel it would be to our advantage to own the State recommended eye and hearing testing equipment. A child with impaired vision or hearing is a "lost soul" until he has been discovered.

I express my appreciation to Mr. Edwin Cox, Superintendent of Schools; Dr. James L. Collard, School Physician; and to all school personnel and parents who have given their cooperation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

MINNIE N. DAVIS, R. N.

Report of Supervisor of Music

Mr. Edwin A. Cox

Superintendent of Schools

Dear Mr. Cox:

It is with pleasure that I submit my first report as Music Supervisor. It has been a very pleasant year, and I wish to thank the School Committee, Superintendent Edwin Cox, teachers and pupils for the loyal support and hearty cooperation which has been extended to me.

It is the desire of this department to give the child as much musical experience as the time allotted permits, enabling him to develop a true sense of appreciation in music.

The chief points to be emphasized in teaching music in the lower grades are as follows:

1. To arouse in all children a love for music.
2. To teach them to carry a tune and to use their voices properly.
3. To train their minds to observe the structural and expressional details in the songs they sing.

In the upper grades equally as much has been accomplished as in the lower grades. Much time has been spent in learning to read music. This includes the kind of notes, the seven time motions, how to find "Do" with sharps and flats in the key signatures, naming keys, chromatic tones and common time. All children from grade three to grade six have their own music note book.

Every eight weeks a written examination is given on the theory

of music.

New song books were purchased for grades one, two and three. These books have pictures with nearly every song, which makes it easy to tell the story before teaching the song. Grades five and six at Franklin school have new two and three part music books. Rhythm bands and records were purchased for use in all Elementary Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARA P. COOK, *Supervisor of Music*

Bernardston, Mass.

December 31, 1949

School Financial Report

CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

GENERAL CONTROL

School Committee		
Salaries	\$130.00	
Expenses	46.65	176.65
Superintendent of Schools		
Salary	563.39	
Expenses—including in and out-of-state travel, clerk, postage, telephone and stationery	1,762.97	
Law Enforcement	13.48	2,339.84

INSTRUCTION

Teachers' Salaries	55,021.34	
Teachers' Expense	352.79	
Instructional Supplies	4,850.42	60,224.55

OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT

Janitor Service	22,890.23	
Operation of Expense: Supplies, Electrici- ty, Telephone	1,696.60	
Fuel	2,844.79	7,431.62

MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT

Repairs and Replacements	2,938.46	2,938.46
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AUXILIARY AGENCIES

Promotion of Health	2,101.56	
Transportation of Pupils	14,131.00	
Miscellaneous	320.89	16,553.45

CAPITAL OUTLAY

Building Alteration and New Equip- ment	548.67	548.67
HOUSEHOLD ARTS	2,946.83	2,946.83
Total Expenditure from Appropriation		\$93,160.07
From Special Funds:		
George Barden	100.00	
Smith-Hughes	106.35	206.35
TOTAL COST OF SCHOOLS		\$93,366.42

RECEIPTS

Appropriation	93,165.00	
Available Funds	206.35	93,371.35
BALANCE RETURNED TO TOWN		\$4.93

RECEIPTS—Paid to the Town of Belchertown from other sources than local taxation:

Department of Public Welfare, State		
Wards	9,824.91	
School Aid (Chapter 643)	25,757.63	
Transportation	10,740.00	
Union Superintendent reimbursement	226.83	
Vocational Household Arts	1,230.24	47,779.61

RECAPITULATION

Total cost of Schools		\$93,366.42
Reimbursement from State	47,779.61	
Used from Available Funds	206.35	47,985.96

ACTUAL COST to the Town of Belchertown \$45,380.46

In 1948, the Actual Cost to Town of Belchertown was \$48,126.94

ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1949

SCHOOL	GRADES												TOTALS
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Center	50	55	36	34	37	34	56	47					349
Franklin	8	15	10	11	7	11							62
Liberty	6	5	2	5	2	3							23
Union	9	8	6	6									29
High School									41	26	37	28	132
	73	83	54	56	46	48	56	47	41	26	37	28	595

School Calendar

1950

January 3—Tuesday, Schools open
 February 24-March 6—Winter Vacation
 April 29-May 8—Spring Vacation
 June 16—Elementary Schools close
 June 23—High School closes
 September 6—Schools open
 December 22—All day

HOLIDAYS

February 22

April 7 and 19

May 30

October 12

November 11

November 29 noon through Dec. 1

Commencement

OF THE

BELCHERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

June 22

1949

Lawrence Memorial Hall

8:00 P. M.

Graduates

Stanley Walter Antonovitch	Edna Mae Lamoureux
Ann Marie Austin	George William Lofland
Barbara Ann Barrett	Francis Paul Loftus
Betty Jane Bishop	Marilyn Beryl Mason
Virginia Mae Booth	Rose Marie Noel
Mary Louise Bush	William Michael Russell
Stanley Frank Czech	Shirley Louise Snow
Roger Marcel Fontaine	Dorothy Mary Socha
Anna Teresa Geslock	Ruth Ellen Sullivan
Fayanna Hislop	

Program

Processional		Mrs. William E. Shaw Accompanist
Invocation		Reverend Andrew F. Sullivan
Salutatory		Ruth Ellen Sullivan
Song	Bells of the Sea Boys' Chorus	<i>Alfred Solman</i>
Valedictory		Ann Marie Austin
Duet	Whispering Hope Barbara Ann Barrett, Edna Mae Lamoureux	<i>Alice Hawthorne</i>
Emory F. Munsell Award		Reverend Richard Manwell
Song	Morning Invitation Chorus	<i>George A. Veazie</i>
Greetings to the Class of 1949		Edwin A. Cox, Superintendent of Schools
Presentation of Class to School Committee		Guy E. Harrington Principal of High School
Awarding of Diplomas		Mr. Albert Markham Chairman School Committee
Song	Sunshine in Rainbow Valley Senior Girls	<i>Bernard Hamblen</i>
Benediction		Reverend William J. Delaney

RECEPTION

SCHOOL PERSONNEL AS OF JAN. 1, 1950

Name	Position	Institution Attended	Year App.
Edwin A. Cox	Superintendent	Washington State Normal, Boston University, University of Maine	1948
Carl J. Peterson	Administrative Assistant	Fitchburg State Teachers College and Boston University	1937
Clara Cook	Music Supervisor	Skidmore School of Music	1948
Guy E. Harrington	Principal High School, Grade 6, 7, 8	Boston University, University of Vermont	1943
Elwyn J. Doubleday	Science and Mathematics	University of Massachusetts	1947
John J. Connolly	Assistant Principal	American International College	1949
Chester B. Eisold	Commercial Subjects	American International College	1948
Nancy Lee Hudson	Mathematics, Social Science, Coach	American International College	1949
Sophia M. Pero	English and French	Bates College	1941
Ada W. Tague	Latin and English	Pembroke College	1946
Florence Jackson	Social Studies	Iowa State College	1946
Bernadette Bowler	Household Arts - Science	Boston Domestic School	1942
Lillian Vatousiou	Grade 8	Westfield Normal School	1948
Madeleine R. Lambert	Grade 7	American International College	1924
	Grade 6	Summer School, Fitchburg Normal School	
Marion K. Shaw	Assistant Principal and Grade 5	Summer School Hyannis and North Adams Normal School	1926
Elaine M. Curtin	Grade 1 and 2	Fitchburg State Teachers' College	1949
Irene B. Orlando	Grade 1	Summer School, Fitchburg Normal School	1917
Mildred Robbins	Grade 2	Lesley Normal	1948
Alice Flaherty	Grade 3	Summer School and Extension Courses University of Mass.	1922
Vera Harrington	Grade 4	Summer School, University of Vermont	1944
Eleanor Fitzgerald	Principal and Grade 1 and 2	FRANKLIN SCHOOL	1931
Nellie G. Shea	Grades 3 and 4	North Adams Normal School	1901
Mildred Carter	Grades 6 and 7	University Extension Courses	1943
Blanche Austin	Grades 1-6	LIBERTY SCHOOL	1947
Emma Loftus	Grades 1-4	North Adams Normal School	1948
		UNION SCHOOL	
		Bay Path	

Sewer Regulations

Effective Jan. 1, 1950

1. The selectmen shall have charge and the direction of all main and branch lines of sewers in the town until such time as sewer commissioners are elected. Whenever any sewer is to be built, they shall have the general direction of the same, that is, relating to location, grade, etc. They shall also require plans and correct entries to be made and filed in the town clerk's office for future reference.

2. All sewers laid by private parties in any street or court-way, opened or proposed to be opened for public accommodations, shall be the property of the town when connected with the public sewer, and no such sewer shall hereafter be connected with a public sewer without a permit from the selectmen, until such time as sewer commissioners are elected.

3. No person shall be allowed to let any other water into the sewer except the sewerage from sinks, stop-hoppers, water closets, bath-tubs, etc.

4. All sewers within the street limits must be of vitrified sewer pipes, and of such size as approved by the selectmen, until such time as sewer commissioners are elected.

5. No private sewer shall be entered into any main sewer without a permit in writing from the selectmen, until such time as sewer commissioners are elected.

6. The ends of all pipes or sewers not to be immediately connected with water closets, sinks, etc., must be securely guarded against the introduction of sand or earth, by brick and cement, or other watertight and imperishable material.

7. No person shall be allowed to make any further connection with any private sewer, that is connected with a public sewer, other than that specified in the original permit, without first obtaining permission from the selectmen, until such time as sewer commissioners are elected.

8. No connection with a sewer shall be made except in the presence of one of the selectmen until such time as sewer commissioners are elected or some person authorized by them to superintend such connection.

9. Whosoever digs or breaks up the ground in the public street or way, for the purpose of laying, altering or repairing a sewer pipe, or entering his particular sewer into a main sewer without a permit from the selectmen, until such time as sewer commissioners are elected, in writing, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding twenty dollars for each offense.

10. It shall be the duty of any person to report to the selectmen, until such time as sewer commissioners are elected, every violation of the above rules that shall come to his knowledge.

11. Charges on owner—The selectmen, until such time as sewer commissioners are elected, shall establish a just and equitable annual charge for the use of common sewers to be paid by every person who enters his particular sewer therein. Bills sent out are a lien on real estate and any bill outstanding when tax rate is fixed shall be added to tax bill

12. These regulations sha'l become effective as of Jan. 1, 1950.

Appendix

List of Jurors 1949

Edward T. Parsons	Federal Street
Edward B. Conkey	Daniel Shays Highway
Michael Krawiec	South Liberty Street
Arthur F. Henneman	Turkey Hill Road
Peter F. Shea	Bondsville, Mass.
Albert M. Dudek	Pine Street, Bondsville, Mass.
Albert W. Brown	Barrett Street
Harold A. Willy	North Main Street
Henry R. Berger	Sargent Street
Elmer Carrington	North Main Street
Harry Plant	Daniel Shays Highway
Milton C. Baggs	Main Street
Robert W. Jenks	Jenks Road
Alexander Ross	Gulf Road
Gould Ketchen	Jabish Street
Lester W. Beaudoin	Metacomet Street
Max P. Bock	Allen Street
Harold Peck	Cottage Street
Douglas Rhodes	North Main Street
Harvey Samson	North Main Street
Arthur R. Brooks	Keith Avenue
Raymond Burke	Sargent Street
Kenneth B. Hawkins	Federal Street

APPENDIX

Statistical Report of Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED 1949

Date	Name of Child	Parents
January		
6	Mary Ann Dudek	Edward J. and Mary Niemic Dudek
7	Louise Wazoha	Joseph A. and Veronica N. Wanczyk Wazoha
10	Sherill Lee Reed	Willard W. and Helen A. Delozier Reed
10	Christine Galicia	Stanley S. and Frances E. Romaniak Galicia
February		
5	Evelyn Rose Auclair	Henry R. and Lillian Bronner Auclair
21	Dennis Douglas Rhodes	Douglas and Leotia Batchelder Rhodes
24	(Male) Sevarino	Joseph P. and Anita Freeman Sevarino
March		
8	Karl Lloyd Cousino	Leo R. and Mildred E. Root Cousino
11	William Critchett Walker	James D. and Barbara Critchett Walker
15	Joel Stephen Nulman	Saul and Rose A. Endelson Nulman

APPENDIX

- 18 Bonnie Ann Kimball
Richard O. and Anna Shaffer Kimball
- 21 Ola Grace Newton
Guy A. and Juanita F. Lopez Newton
- April
- 4 Lawrence Snowden
Lloyd D. and Josephine M. Sowa Snowden
- 4 Robert Earl Isaac
William E. and Evelyn Roger Isaac
- 4 Timothy David Barrett
Warren P. and Louise M. Joyal Barrett
- 8 Carol Ann Lawson
John W. and Marcianna F. Leszyk Lawson
- 10 Roger Allen Bosworth
Melvin E. and Christine A. Squires Bosworth
- 13 William Dean Plant
Everett W. and Helen M. Baril Plant
- 19 Robert Andrew Powers
James R. and Jean S. McKenna Powers
- 27 Cheryl Ann McKillop James and Viola Webb McKillop
- 28 Dwight Hazen Fiske
Charles C. and Beverly Hazel Smith Fiske
- 28 Lewis Almon Squires
Lewis E. and Ethel M. Howe Squires
- May
- 5 Leroy Howard Boynton, Jr.
Leroy H. and Edna H. Horr Boynton
- 8 Dennis Mark Dube
Edward L. and Genevieve D. Phoenix Dube
- 13 Douglas Herbert Camp
Edward C. and Eileen Dodge Camp

APPENDIX

- 16 Elizabeth Cheryl Ketchen
Gould and Charlotte Parker Ketchen
- 16 Beverly Eleanor Ketchen
Gould and Charlotte Parker Ketchen
- 21 Richard Walter Smola Walter and Alice S. Jamrog Smola
- 26 James Hess Langford
Joseph W. and Naomi Hess Langford
- 28 Barbara Jean Allen
Austin L. and Nellie H. Rhodes Allen

June

- 2 Alice Marie Thompson
Billy L. and Beulah A. Tidball Thompson
- 2 Alicia Maria Thompson
Billy L. and Beulah A. Tidball Thompson
- 7 June Ann Anderson Robert G. and Julia Smola Anderson
- 9 Susan Clarke Holland
Hudson and Christine Fuller Holland
- 11 Linda Marie Smith George and Geneva Russell Smith
- 12 Donna Jean McKenney
Donald C. and Elizabeth Green McKenney
- 27 Arline Gail Ashby
William E. and Pauline A. Baker Ashby

July

- 7 Margaret Maureen Austin
Joseph F. and Claire E. Sullivan Austin
- 18 Linda Lee Forgette
Roland E. and Irene T. McCarthy Forgette
- 21 Nora Jeanne Austin Lewis J. and Lillian C. Riel Austin
- 26 Alma Louise Warner
Charles L. and Ruth P. Seaver Warner
- 26 Jane Mary Shattuck
William I. and Winifred C. Bryant Shattuck

APPENDIX

September

- 11 Judith Edna Dooley
Ralph D. and Virginia A. Moon Dooley
- 11 William Francis Eskett Charles H. and Mary Lane Eskett
- 13 William James Spencer
William A. and Ruth Taylor Spencer
- 14 Suzanna Francoise Desmarais
Amand and Rose Girard Desmarais
- 16 Kris Jerome Oliver
Donald W. and Margaret M. Jerome Oliver
- 20 Eric Stephen Wilson
Harold E. and Ilse Pecherstorfer Wilson

October

- 2 Donald William Thayer
Kenneth W. and Dorothy E. Whittaker Thayer
- 16 Marilyn Jane Sujdak Stanley J. and Louise White Sujdak
- 29 Barbara Kulig Stanley P. and Mary Janulewicz Kulig
- 31 Amy Louise Smith Raymond G. and Kathryn Evans Smith

November

- 7 Kathleen Donna Morey
Donald L. and Ann Howes Morey
- 12 Nancy Elaine Tolpa Walter J. and Elinor DeGray Tolpa
- 15 Karen Onnolee Jenks
Kenneth O. and Barbara Shumway Jenks
- 18 Linda Mae Squires
Richard E. and Wanda Stokosa Squires
- 24 Donald George Vanasse
Robert N. and Mary Shakarian Vanasse
- 27 Clifford Leroy Tucker
N. Harold and Ruthella Conkey Tucker

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December

- 6 Barbara Lynn Beauregard
Robert A. and Margaret Chastian Beauregard
- 9 Alan Edward Champagne
Clarence E. and Elsie Fay Champagne
- 10 John Lysik Stanley and Nellie Mitus Lysik
- 14 Patricia Jacqueline Adam
C. Max and Lucette Ribault Adam
- 17 John William Trominski
Russell A. and Wanda Sasur Trominski
- 19 Karen Irene Reynolds
Edward G. and Elizabeth Campbell Reynolds
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MARRIAGES RECORDED, 1949

February

- 20 John Joseph Donigan, New York
Bernice Ann Wegrzyn, Belchertown

March

- 12 Florian Edward Rogers, Belchertown
Diane Marie Allen, Belchertown
- 21 Dr. Henry A. Tadgell, Belchertown
Leocadia Bortkiewicz, Belchertown

April

- 29 Frank E. Kopacz, Belchertown
Irene Gertrude Pierce Wegiel, Palmer
- 30 William Edward Ashby, Belchertown
Pauline Ann Baker, Belchertown
- 30 Steve W. Paulin, Ludlow
Rose M. Lisiewicz, Belchertown

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May

- 7 Frank Casimir Socha, Belchertown
Agnes Mary Zagura, Vernon, Conn.
- 11 Anthony Wanczyk, Belchertown
Mary Prosciak Niedzwiecki, Northampton
- 21 Francis M. Farrell, Chicopee
Priscilla Bronneau, Granby
- 28 Thomas Ernest Leonard, Belchertown
Eileen Marion Deady Kane, Belchertown
- 30 Joseph Peter Nelson Courchesne, Belchertown
Edna Bourgault, Ware

June

- 18 Kenneth C. Sherman, Palmer
Irene C. Slarsiak, Palmer
- 18 Bernard V. Hudak, South Bend, Indiana
Anna Z. Wadas, Palmer
- 25 George E. Bouchie, Jr., Belchertown
Joan Alberta Gagnier, Springfield
- 25 Robert Brown, Belchertown
Myrtle Hess Rose, Belchertown

July

- 4 John E. Miller, Chicopee
Anne E. Brolund, Chicopee

August

- 8 Prosper E. Hurlburt, Mt. Clemens, Michigan
Frances E. Watts, Belchertown
- 20 John Reynolds Roan, Monson
Anita Claire Phaneuf, Belchertown

September

- 3 Francis Daniel King, Jr., Easthampton
Rena Louise Dodge, Belchertown

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- 3 Fred Arthur Goodrich, Belchertown
Virginia Giovanna Cavalieri, Northampton
- 3 Stanley J. Mosio, Ludlow
Louise V. Kulig, Palmer
- 5 Raymond Paul Lagrant, Ware
Bernice Irene Krol, Belchertown
- 23 Frederick Walter Tauscher, Holyoke
Florence Brulotte, Belchertown

October

- 1 Henry J. Lech, Palmer
Ruth J. Petrasiewicz, Palmer
- 8 John Frederick Noble, Jr., Chicopee
Thelma Marguerite Moriarty, Belchertown
- 8 James H. Carter, Palmer
Margaret Mildred Sullivan, Belchertown
- 8 Homer Winfred Cowles, Amherst
Shirley Anne Williams, Belchertown
- 8 Michael J. Duda, South Hadley
Priscilla A. Duda, Palmer

November

- 12 Bruce M. Barrett, Belchertown
Edna M. Lamoureux, Belchertown
- 15 Everett William Atkinson, Belchertown
Irene Tilley Lawson, Belchertown
- 21 George Cleveland Haskell, South Hadley
Bessie Stebbins Harrop, Belchertown
- 24 George J. Gondek, Palmer
Josephine T. Romaniak, Belchertown

December

- 28 Howard Lucian Weston, Granby
Lydia Irene Miller, Belchertown

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DEATHS RECORDED 1949

Date	Name and Place of Death	Age		
		yrs.	mos.	dys.
January				
9	C. Herbert Camp, Belchertown	67		26
16	Irene M. Jackson, Belchertown	61	1	26
24	Sarah Lillian Aiken Upton, North Brookfield	78	4	3
February				
6	Burt Hurlburt, Belchertown	74	2	27
11	Aldred P. Capen, B. S. S.	46	7	11
16	Fred L. Nooney, Belchertown	70	9	12
21	Dennis Douglas Rhodes, Ware			
17	James H. Carrigan, Holyoke	59		
March				
16	Elizabeth H. Faunce, Naples, Florida	82		
21	Bridget Sayers Worcester	73		
24	Beatrice Richardson Morgan, B. S. S.	42	8	19
30	Michael Osowick, B. S. S.	44	10	27
31	Lucille Pixley, B. S. S.	21	2	19
April				
1	Frank K. Clark, B. S. S.	55	11	5
1	Fred G. Morton, B. S. S.	65	7	12
1	Rose Irene Hughes, B. S. S.	52	9	2
6	Herbert F. Pierce, Palmer	73	10	3
7	Joseph Marion, Holyoke	70		
9	George Bachand, B. S. S.	75	6	15
9	Hector Jacques, Holyoke	59		
10	Sadie Latif, B. S. S.	27		21
15	Eli Blair, B. S. S.	59		
18	Willard H. V. Belding, Belchertown	83		16
20	William Fred Pekrul, B. S. S.	35	9	2
29	Nancy Angeline Ballou Dunbar, Belchertown	76	5	

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May

1	Normand Daviau, B. S. S.	25	11	28
10	Mary Bowler Moriarty, Belchertown	88		

June

5	Esther Josephine Rorabuck Stewart, Belchertown	79	9	24
19	Charles Deutch, B. S. S.	44	5	19
25	Lillian A. Miller, Amherst	89	6	17
26	William Metcalf, Belchertown	80	10	10

July

1	Anthony Poliska, Tewksbury	69		
11	Pearline Dickinson, B. S. S.	40	8	20
25	Robert Alder Colpitts, B. S. S.	29	0	5
26	Mitchell William Lysik, Belchertown	34	8	30
28	Ruth E. Walker, B. S. S.	66	0	10
30	Emma May Dodge Towne, Ware	45	7	26

August

1	Herman Seiker, Jr., B. S. S.	6	2	14
10	Herbert Hubbard, Chicopee	77	2	25
11	Geneve Chmura Henrichon, Springfield	27	2	23
19	Karl Ellis Grout, Belchertown	36	1	29
23	Walter A. Parker, Belchertown	73	3	6
28	John M. Girouard, B. S. S.	32	6	4

September

13	Lawrence Peter Raymond, B. S. S.	6	2	20
15	Fannie D. Jennison Shaw, Belchertown	69	8	8
20	Addie Fay, Northampton	54	4	8
21	Geanine Estelle Charette, B. S. S.	20	10	6
25	Mary Wilson Parker, Belchertown	72	10	12

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October

16	Alphonse Joseph Viens, Belchertown	48	10	19
28	Alfred Lewis Squires, Belchertown	57	5	7
31	Robert F. Knight, B. S. S.	22	10	16

November

4	Harry W. Bosworth, Palmer	75	4	18
8	Donna McKenny, Boston		4	19
10	Veronica Steliga Kawalec, Belchertown	44		
22	Lilla Marion Lazelle Olds, Belchertown	85	2	5
25	Joseph J. Cornedi, Jr., B. S. S.	12	1	12

December

6	Herbert Horace Hawley, Belchertown	84	10	7
10	John Lysik, Palmer		4 hrs.	
20	Samuel Judd, Northampton	75	10	10
22	Sylvia Ann Ledoux, B. S. S.	8	3	27
22	Catherine E. Henry, Northampton	18	2	8
24	Nelson Clarke Holland, Belchertown	74	2	13
29	Henry Michael Egan, B. S. S.	47	6	6

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Minutes of Town Meetings

ARTICLES IN TOWN WARRANT FOR MEETINGS FEBRUARY 7 AND 14, 1949

Art. 1. To choose the following named officers by nomination: two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year; one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 2. To hear the reports of the officers of the town and of any committees that may have been appointed by the town and act thereon.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses listed in the Finance Committee report for the current financial year and act thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1949, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,000.00

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to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the school committee for the year ensuing, and act thereon.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to allow the selectmen to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1949, as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.00, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to allow the cemetery commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemetery at a rate not to exceed 75 cents per hour for the year 1949, as provided for in the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1947 for the purchase of road machinery, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a new roof for Memorial Hall, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the town will appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account a sum of money for the purchase of a road grader for use on the town highways, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$11,000.00, and to issue a note or notes of the Town therefor, payable in not more than five years from date of issue; this debt to be incurred for the purchase of certain road machinery, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$119.00 to pay George Poole for returns on Vital Statistics to the State for the year 1948.

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Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to authorize the use of a sum not to exceed \$25,000, from the Surplus Revenue to meet the shares of the State and County allotments on highway repairs and maintenance under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 of the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install three street lights on Bardwell Street in South Belchertown, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to provide that the Collector of Taxes shall collect under the title of Town Collector all accounts due the town, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 18. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, FEBRUARY 14, 1949

Meeting was called to order at 7.30 P. M. by Lewis H. Blackmer, Moderator. Prayer was offered by Rev. Andrew F. Sullivan.

Art. 1. Chose Mrs. Louise A. Sherman and Mrs. Amy B. Witt as Almoners of the Whiting Street Fund and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Fund for one year; D. Donald Hazen chosen Trustee of Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 2. Voted to accept reports of the officers of the Town and Committees of the Town as printed with the exceptions of the report of the Finance Committee and any special committees.

Aubrey D. Lapolice reported for the War Memorial Committee and presented a preliminary sketch of a granite and bronze memorial designated as Plan A. Commander William J. Lacey of American Legion suggested that memorial be included in quarters to be purchased by Legion with a Memorial Room open to the public and designated the idea as Plan B. Voted to accept report of committee as report of progress and to continue committee in office for a complete report at a later meeting of the Town.

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Art. 3. Voted to act on the report of the Finance Committee, each item to be considered a separate motion.

Voted to appropriate for:

Selectmen	\$800.00	
Town Accountant	425.00	
Treasurer	715.00	
Tax Collector	825.00	Plus Fees
Assessors	900.00	
Town Clerk	450.00	Plus Fees
Certification of Notes	20.00	
Law	150.00	
Election and Registration	500.00	
Town Hall	800.00	
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00	
American Legion Headquarters	400.00	
Police	500.00	
Fire Department	2,300.00	
Forest Fires	1,100.00	
Hydrant Service	1,500.00	
Moth Suppression	600.00	
Tree Warden	1,000.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	85.00	
Health	1,200.00	
Highways, Chapter 81	4,120.00	
Highways, Chapter 90 Maintenance	500.00	
Highways, Chapter 90 Construction	2,500.00	
Highways, Snow Removal	6,000.00	
Highways, Streets	100.00	
Highways, Bridges	600.00	
Street Lights	2,000.00	
Public Welfare	4,400.00	
Veterans' Aid	500.00	
Old Age Assistance	21,000.00	

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Aid to Dependent Children	3,250.00
Schools	93,165.00
Vocational Education	1,000.00
Caretaker Recreational Field	300.00
Cemeteries	850.00
Soldiers' Graves	200.00
Unclassified	500.00
Memorial Day	200.00
Armistice Day	50.00
Honor Roll	20.00
Insurance	3,100.00
Interest	300.00
Town Clock	100.00
Public Dump	100.00
Care of Common	150.00
Photostats of Discharges	25.00
Recreation Program	500.00
Retirement Payment	250.00
Clapp Memorial Library	700.00
Reserve Fund from Overlayings Re- serve	1,500.00

Art. 4. Voted to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid.

Art. 5. Voted: To authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1949, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws. The vote was unanimous.

Art. 6. Voted: To appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,000.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account.

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Art. 7. Voted: To authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the School Committee for the year ensuing.

Art. 8. Voted: To allow the Selectmen to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1949 as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.00.

Art. 9. Voted: To allow the Cemetery Commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemeteries at a rate not to exceed 75 cents per hour for the year 1949, as provided for in the General Laws.

Art. 10. Voted: To appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$1,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1947 for the purchase of road machinery.

Art. 11. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for a new roof for Memorial Hall.

Art. 12. Voted: To appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account the sum of \$2,000.00 for the purchase of a Road Grader to be used by the Highway Department of the Town.

Art. 13. Voted: To authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$11,000.00, and to issue a note or notes of the Town therefor payable in not more than five years from the date of issue; this debt to be incurred for the purchase of certain road machinery. Vote recorded—90 in favor, 1 opposed.

Art. 14. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$119.00 to pay George Poole for returns on Vital Statistics for the year 1948. Vote was unanimous.

Art. 15. Voted to authorize the use of a sum not to exceed \$25,000.00 from the Surplus Revenue to meet the shares of the State and County allotments on highway repairs and maintenance under Chapters 81 and 90 of the General Laws.

Art. 16. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$56.25 to install three lights on Bardwell Street in South Belchertown.

Art. 17. Voted: That the Town provide that the Collector of

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Taxes shall collect under the title of Town Collector all accounts due the City or Town.

Art. 18. The Selectmen announced the appointemnt to the Finance Committee for three years—Byron A. Hudson and Romeo J. Joyal. The appointment of Ralph Trombly to the Finance Committee to fill the unexpired term of George E. Booth was announced.

Voted to adjourn at 8.24 P. M.

WILLIAM E. SHAW, *Town Clerk*

ARTICLES IN WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 25, 1949

Art. 1. To see if the town will vote to amend the votes passed under Articles 12 and 13 of the warrant for the annual town meeting held February 14, 1949, whereby it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$13,000. for the purchase of a Road Grader, so as to read as follows: VOTED: That the sum of \$12,000. be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a Road Grader, and that to meet said appropriation the sum of \$2,000. be appropriated from the Road Machinery Reserve Account and that the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$10,000. and to issue notes of the town therefor payable in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than 5 years from the date of the first note; and be it further VOTED: That the selectmen be authorized to turn in an old tractor and to apply the trade-in-value of the tractor towards the purchase price of the Road Grader.

Art. 2. To see if the town will authorize and instruct the selectmen, acting as a Board of Sewer Commissioners, by virtue of Chapter 79 of the General Laws, Tercentenary Edition, and the acts in amendment thereof, to take on behalf of the town, an ease-

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ment and right of way in and over the following described parcels of land: 1 to 3 inclusive on State Street Sewer Plan and parcels 1 to 5 inclusive on Everett Avenue Sewer Plan, as shown on a plan entitled "State Street Sewer and Everett Avenue Sewer Right-of-Way", Belchertown, Massachusetts, Tighe & Bond, Consulting Engineers, Holyoke, Massachusetts, October 18, 1948, scale 1 in.-80 ft, on file with the Town Clerk, for a public purpose, to wit: To lay, operate and forever maintain an underground public or common sewer, and to alter, replace, repair, renew, inspect and examine the same, and to pass freely over the same in any manner with teams, motor vehicles, or other vehicles, and to construct masonry work, manholes or structures, and to change the grade of the land, and to make fills and build and maintain any other thing reasonably necessary for the construction and maintenance of said common sewer; and to place upon said lands materials and apparatus during said construction, replacement or repair, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the payment of damages to owners of land and others affected in connection with the taking of easements in land for the construction and maintenance of the Sanitary Sewer System, State Street Sewer and Everett Avenue Sewer Right-of-Way, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Tighe and Bond, Consulting Engineers, made October 18, 1948; or take any other action relative thereto.

ACTION TAKEN UNDER WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING MARCH 25, 1949

Art. 1. Voted: To amend the votes passed under Articles 12 and 13 of the warrant for the annual Town Meeting held February 14, 1949, whereby it was voted to appropriate the sum of \$13,000.00 for the purchase of a Road Grader, so as to read as follows: Voted: That the sum of \$12,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a Road Grader, and

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that to meet said appropriation the sum of \$2,000.00 be appropriated from the Road Machinery Reserve Account, and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$10,000.00, and to issue notes of the Town therefor payable, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than five years from the date of issue of the first note, and be it further Voted: That the Selectmen be authorized to turn in an old tractor, and to apply the trade-in value of the tractor towards the purchase price of the Road Grader. Vote was unanimous.

Art. 2. Voted: That the Town authorize and instruct the Selectmen by virtue of Chapter 79 of the General Laws and Acts in amendment thereof and supplementary thereto to take on behalf of the Town an easement and right-of-way in the following described land designated as parcel 1 to 3 inclusive on State Street Sewer Plan and parcel 1 to 5 inclusive on Everett Avenue Sewer Plan which plans are hereinafter described; for the purpose of a public or common sewer. (Complete descriptions of locations and uses of easements and rights-of-way are on record for inspection.)

Art. 3. Voted that the sum of \$200.00 be appropriated from the Sewerage System Account to satisfy such damages as the Board of Selectmen may award in connection with the takings voted under Article 2 of this warrant.

Art. 4. Voted to adjourn at 8.35 P. M.

WILLIAM E. SHAW, *Town Clerk*

ARTICLES IN WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, AUGUST 29, 1949

Art. 1. To see if the Town will authorize and instruct the Selectmen, by virtue of Chapter 79 of the General Laws and the

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Acts in amendment thereof and supplementary thereto, to take on behalf of the Town an easement and right-of-way in the following described land designated as Parcel Numbers 1 and 2 on plan of Maple Street Sewer right of way, which plan is herein-after described for the purpose of a public or common sewer.

Said easement or right-of-way shall be a right-of-way or easement to lay, operate and forever maintain an underground public or common sewer; to alter, replace, repair, renew, inspect and examine the same and to pass freely over the same in any manner with teams, motor vehicles or other vehicles. To construct and maintain any concrete masonry work, manholes or structures. To change the grade of the land and to make fills, and build and maintain any other thing reasonably necessary for the construction and maintenance of said common sewer. To place upon said lands, materials and apparatus, during such construction, replacement or repair.

Said lands are all located in the Town of Belchertown, and are shown on a plan entitled: "Maple Street Sewer Right-of-way, Belchertown, Massachusetts, Tighe & Bond, Consulting Engineers, Holyoke, Massachusetts, July 18, 1949, Scale: 1" = 40'" which plan is filed in the office of the Selectmen in said Town of Belchertown. The said lands are more particularly described as follows:

Parcel No. 1.

The easement or right-of-way of Parcel No. 1 for the Maple Street Sewer is to be a strip of land 8 feet in width, supposed to belong to Winslow S. Piper; the centerline of said easement or right-of-way being described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the northerly side of Maple Street, the said point being south 85°-23' west 248.80 feet along the said northerly side of said Maple Street from the centerline of the stone wall marking the division line between lands of said Piper and Bertha Gilbert; thence running north 20°-42' east 481.40 feet to a point on the southerly boundary line of the lands of the

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Town of Belchertown, the said point being 11.19 feet westerly along the said southerly boundary line from the centerline of a stone wall marking the division line between lands of Piper and the Belchertown Historical Society, containing about 3,851 square feet.

Parcel No. 2

The easement or right-of-way of Parcel No. 2 for the Maple Street Sewer is to be a strip of land 8 feet in width supposed to belong to Ryther & Warren Incorporated; the centerline of said easement or right-of-way being described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the northerly side of the State Highway Location, said point being $21\frac{1}{2}$ feet south $69^{\circ}-37'$ west of a Massachusetts Highway bound marking the northerly side of the State Highway Location and the southeasterly corner of property of said Ryther & Warren Incorporated, thence running north $17^{\circ}-12'$ west 57.09 feet to a point on the southerly side of Maple Street, the said point being 40.93 feet westerly of a stone bound marking the said southerly side of said Maple Street and northeasterly corner of lands of said Ryther & Warren Incorporated, containing about 456 square feet.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will authorize and instruct the Selectmen, by virtue of Chapter 79 of the General Laws and the Acts in amendment thereof and supplementary thereto, to take on behalf of the Town an easement and right-of-way in the following described land designated as Parcel 1 to 3 inclusive on Federal Street Sewer Plan, which plan is hereinafter described, for the purpose of a public or common sewer.

Said easement or right-of-way shall be a right-of-way or easement to lay, operate and forever maintain an underground public or common sewer; to alter, replace, repair, renew, inspect and examine the same, and to pass freely over the same, in any manner with teams, motor vehicles or other vehicles; to construct and maintain any concrete masonry work, manholes or structures; to change the grade of the land, and to make fills, and build and

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maintain any other thing reasonably necessary for the construction and maintenance of said common sewer; and to place upon said lands materials and apparatus during such construction, replacement or repair.

Said lands are all located in the Town of Belchertown and are shown on a plan entitled: "Federal Street Sewer Right-of-Way, Belchertown, Massachusetts, Tighe & Bond, Consulting Engineers, Holyoke, Massachusetts, August 1949, Scale: 1" = 80'" which plan is filed in the Office of the Selectmen in said Town of Belchertown and the said lands are more particularly described as follows:

The easement or right-of-way for the Federal Street Sewer is to be 15 feet in width; the center line of said easement or right-of-way being described as follows:

Beginning at existing Manhole No. 25 + 84.19 as shown on Sanitary Sewer System, North East Trunk Sewer plan for the Town of Belchertown, Massachusetts, Tighe & Bond, Consulting Engineers, Holyoke, Massachusetts, and dated December 1939, said plan being on file in the Office of the Selectmen in the said Town of Belchertown, thence running North 53°-12' East 800 feet to a point; thence running North 50°-15' East 1,149.77 feet to a point; thence running North 68°-11' East 267.33 feet to station 22 + 17.10 on the westerly side of Federal Street and the end of the right-of-way.

Parcel No. 1

A strip of land 15 feet in width, supposed to belong to Harold B. Ketchen, between Manhole No. 25 + 84.19 and station 7 + 15, the center line of the said strip being described as follows:

Beginning at said Manhole No. 25 + 84.19; thence running North 53°-12' East 715 feet to lands of Munroe D. Woods, containing about 0.25 acres.

Parcel No. 2.

A strip of land 15 feet in width supposed to belong to Mun-

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roe D. Woods, between stations $7 + 15$ and $19 + 55$, the center line of said strip being described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the northerly property line of Harold B. Ketchen, the said point being station $7 + 15$, thence running North $53^{\circ}-12'$ East 85 feet to a point; thence running North $50^{\circ}-15'$ East 1,149.77 feet to a point; thence running North $68^{\circ}-11'$ East 5.23 feet to lands of Clarence R. Pierce, containing about 0.43 acres.

Parcel No. 3.

A strip of land 15 feet in width, supposed to belong to Clarence R. Pierce, between stations $19 + 55$ and $22 + 17.10$, the center line of the said strip being described as follows:

Beginning at a point of the easterly property line of Munroe D. Woods, the said point being station $19 + 55$; thence running North $68^{\circ}-11'$ East 262.10 feet to a point, said point being station $22 + 17.10$ on the westerly side line of Federal Street, containing about 0.09 acres.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of sewers, and determine how the appropriation shall be raised, by borrowing or transfer, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the payment of damages to owners of land and others affected, in connection with the taking of easements in land for the construction and maintenance of the Sanitary Sewer System, Maple Street Sewer and Federal Street Sewer Right-of-way, in accordance with plans and specifications prepared by Tighe & Bond, Consulting Engineers, made July 18, 1949 and August 1949; or take any other action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Available Funds for Old Age Assistance, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Road Machinery Earnings Account a sum of money to the Road Ma-

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chinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Available Funds for Insurance, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Available Funds for sidewalk repair and renewals; or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Available Funds for cleaning and repair of water-holes for fire protection, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of making necessary changes and to install heating and plumbing facilities in the north basement room of Clapp Memorial Library for school purposes; or take any action relative thereto.

ACTION TAKEN UNDER WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, AUGUST 29, 1949

Art. 1. Voted to authorize and instruct the Selectmen in accordance with terms of Article as printed in Warrant.

Art. 2. Voted to authorize and instruct the Selectmen in accordance with terms of Article as printed in Warrant.

Art. 3. Voted: That the sum of \$10,000.00 be appropriated for the construction of sewers, and to meet said appropriation the sum of \$5,000.00 be appropriated from Available Funds and the sum of \$5,000.00 be transferred from Post-War Rehabilitation Fund.

Art. 4. Voted: That the sum of \$500.00 be appropriated from the Sewerage System Account to satisfy such damages as the Board of Selectmen may award in connection with the takings of Articles 1 and 2 of this warrant.

Art. 5. Voted: That the sum of \$13,000.00 be appropriated from Available Funds for Old Age Assistance.

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Art. 6. Voted: That the sum of \$2,000.00 be transferred from the Road Machinery Earnings Reserve Account to the Road Machinery Expense Account.

Art. 7. Voted: That the sum of \$400.00 be appropriated from Available Funds to the Insurance Account.

Art. 8. Voted: That the sum of \$500.00 be appropriated from Available Funds for sidewalk repair and renewals.

Art. 9. Voted: That the sum of \$100.00 be appropriated from Available Funds for cleaning and repair of water holes for fire protection.

Art. 10. Voted: That the sum of \$4,000.00 be appropriated from Available Funds for making necessary changes and to install heating and plumbing facilities in the north basement room of Clapp Memorial Library for school purposes. This money to be expended under the direction of the School Committee. And be it further Voted: That the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to enter into an agreement with the Trustees of Clapp Memorial Library for the use of northerly basement room at Clapp Memorial Library on such terms as shall be mutually agreeable.

Art. 11. Voted to adjourn.

WILLIAM E. SHAW. *Town Clerk*

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING NOVEMBER 22, 1949

Art. 1. To see if the Town will vote to have the moderator appoint a Regional School District Planning Board, consisting of three members, one of which is to be a member of the School Committee, as authorized by Section 14, Chapter 638, Act of 1948 (An Act to authorize the Formation of Regional School Districts), or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote for the appointment, by the Selectmen, of an Inspector of Wires, as required under

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Chapter 529, Acts of 1949, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Sections 126 and 127, Chapter 111, General Laws as amended, relative to maintaining of privy vaults and use of common sewers where available, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 4. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

ACTIONS UNDER ARTICLES IN WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING NOVEMBER 22, 1949

Art. 1. Voted: That the moderator appoint a Regional School District Planning Board, consisting of three members, one of whom shall be a member of the School Committee. Said Board shall study the organization, operation and control of a regional district and school and shall further estimate construction and operations costs, investigate methods of financing the project, and submit a report of findings and recommendations to the Selectmen of the participating towns. They shall also report to the annual Town Meeting in February, 1950, as to the progress of their findings and deliberations.

Moderator appointed committee consisting of Isaac A. Hodgen, Albert G. Markham and William E. Shaw.

Art. 2. Voted: That the Town authorize the appointment by the Selectmen of an Inspector of Wires, as required under Chapter 529, Acts of 1949.

Art. 3. Voted: That the Town accept the provisions of Sections 126 and 127, Chapter 111 General Laws as amended, relative to construction and maintaining of privy vaults and the use of common sewers where available.

Art. 4. Voted to adjourn.

WILLIAM E. SHAW, *Town Clerk*

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Itemized Report of Receipts and Expenditures

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE

Taxes, William E. Shaw, Collector

Levy of 1947, Real Estate	676.81	
Levy of 1947, Personal Property	622.13	
Levy of 1948, Real Estate	9,584.47	
Levy of 1948, Personal Property	2,223.12	
Levy of 1949, Real Estate	60,200.15	
Levy of 1949, Personal Property	13,403.76	
Levy of 1949, Polls	1,554.00	
Levy of 1948, Motor Vehicle Excise	315.03	
Levy of 1949, Motor Vehicle Excise	13,732.70	102,312.17

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Reimbursement for loss of taxes	1,450.25	
In excess of taxes, 1948	289.05	
Income tax	32,533.63	
Corporation tax, business	11,715.26	
Meals tax, Old Age Assistance	1,348.66	
M. D. W. S. C., in lieu of taxes	2,963.82	50,300.67

Liquor licenses

2,625.00

Business licenses and permits

114.50

Court fines

117.88 2,857.38

Grants and Gifts

From Federal Government

Old Age Assistance, Aid	25,715.16
Old Age Assistance, Administration	556.74
Aid Dependent Children, Aid	1,778.78
Aid Dependent Children, Adm.	40.37

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Smith Hughes Fund	106.35	
George Barden Fund	100.00	28,297.40
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Dept. of Education, transportation	10,740.00	
Union Superintendent	226.83	
Highways, Chapter 81	17,717.25	
Inspection of Animals	100.00	
Flood Control	399.87	
Vocational Education	1,841.05	31,025.00
County of Hampshire, Dog Licenses		762.11
Total General Revenue		<u>\$215,554.73</u>

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

Rent: Common, Memorial Hall, Driveway, Town Hall		
Belchertown Farmers' & Mechanics' Club	150.00	
Union Grange	9.00	
Vernon Lodge of Masons	1.50	
Mrs. Moore	18.50	
Youth Fellowship	1.50	
Women's Guild	1.50	
Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc.	10.00	
American Legion	1.50	
Hilltop Guild	1.50	
American Legion, elec. service, common	15.00	
Belchertown Firemen's Assn., electric		
ice, common	15.00	
Belchertown Farmers' & Mechanics' Club	3.00	228.00
Raymond C. Gay, Sealer of W. & M. fees		45.50
Central Vermont Railway, forest fires		35.40
County of Hampshire, Dog Officer fees		156.50
County of Hampshire, Wildcat Bounties		30.00
Springfield Daily Republican, sale of road scraper		200.00
Sewer Department, oil		1.50
Florian Tilenda, damage to bridge		20.99
Department of Public Works		20.00
Road Machinery Earnings		8,564.00

(Tabulation in detail appended to this report)

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Reimbursements, Charities

Public Welfare

Commonwealth of Mass.	497.37	
Other cities and towns	51.50	
Individuals	225.00	
John Hancock Mutual Life Insurance Co.	515.40	1,289.27

Aid to Dependent Children

Commonwealth of Mass.		1,429.93
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Old Age Assistance

Commonwealth of Mass.	20,787.97	
Other cities and towns	721.53	21,509.50

Commonwealth of Mass., Veterans' Services 266.27

Commonwealth of Mass., tuition of children 9,824.81

School Department, telephone toll calls 2.20

Total for Commercial Revenue \$43,623.87

INTEREST

First National Bank of Amherst

Susan Bridgman Poor fund 140.00

Post-War Rehabilitation fund 208.76

Amherst Savings Bank

Calvin Bridgman Library fund 200.00

Cemetery Perpetual Care Income 345.57

William E. Shaw, Collector of Taxes

Levy of 1947 77.41

Levy of 1948 244.24

Levy of 1949 50.54

Motor Vehicle Excise 1.52 1,268.04

DEBT

Palmer National Bank

Anticipation serial sewer loan 19,000.00

Road Machinery loan 10,000.00

First National Bank of Boston

Serial Sewer bonds 45,000.00 74,000.00

AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

William E. Shaw, Town Clerk, dog licenses 967.80

Harlan B. Davis, Dog Officer, sale of dogs 13.50

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Sundry Persons, withholding tax	6,309.41	
Chapter 81, insurance reserve account	342.80	
Chap. 90, Maint., insurance reserve acct.	13.57	
Hampshire County retirement funds	191.78	
First National Bank of Boston,		
Accrued interest sewer bonds	31.25	
Edith Hatheway, deposit in lieu of bond		
for children's boarding license	50.00	
Blue Cross accounts	210.15	
Private Trust accounts	824.00	
First National Bank of Amherst,		
Sale of notes, investment fund	20,000.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care, Mt. Hope Cemetery		
Edw. T. Parsons, the Edw. T. Parsons lot	100.00	
Florence E. Spears, Spears lot	100.00	29,154.26
REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS		
Recovery, Old Age Assistance	81.40	
J. Russell & Co., refund, Town Hall	37.71	
John E. Winston Co., refund, schools	1.58	
Perkins Eaton Mach. Co., rd. mach. refund	11.13	
Old Age Assistance checks cancelled	157.31	
The Chemical Corp., refund sewers	67.25	356.38
Audit Adjustments		.70
		\$363,957.98
Cash on hand January 1, 1949		51,194.63
		\$415,152.61

EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen		
Salaries		
Isaac A. Hodgen	\$300.00	
Francis M. Austin	200.00	
Charles F. Austin	200.00	\$700.00
Expenses		

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Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	14.89	
Mass. Selectmen's Assn., dues	25.00	
Hampshire Co. Selectmen's Assn., dues	6.00	
D. Donald Hazen, posting warrants	20.00	
Lena Wilson, clerical work	8.65	
Lena Wilson, postage	5.55	
Isaac Hodgen, travel	28.84	108.93
		\$808.93
Town Accountant		
Ella A. Stebbins, salary		400.00
Expenses		
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	11.04	
Ella A. Stebbins, postage	.60	
Commonwealth of Mass., supplies	12.01	23.65
		\$423.65
Treasurer		
William E. Shaw, salary		525.00
Expenses		
Employers' Liab. Assur. Corp., bond	68.50	
Postage	88.00	
Keys	.70	
Supplies	10.60	
Safe drawer divisions	1.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	.93	
Mass. Collectors' & Treas. Assn., dues	1.00	
Safe deposit box	6.00	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	7.58	
Baptismal certificate	1.00	
Remington Rand, repairs adding mach.	3.00	
R. C. Gay, express	1.30	
Burroughs Co., adding machine	130.50	320.11
		\$845.11
Tax Collector		
William E. Shaw, salary		500.00
Expenses		
June S. Henneman, clerical work	30.00	
Postage	97.40	

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Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	67.55	
Employers' Liab. Assur. Corp., bond	96.75	
Mass. Collectors' & Treas. Assn., dues	1.00	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	31.87	324.57
		\$824.57
Assessors		
Salaries		
Edward T. Parsons	300.00	
Frederick E. Lincoln	200.00	
George E. Booth	200.00	700.00
Expenses		
The Stoneham Independent, tax tables	1.00	
June S. Henneman, clerical work	79.50	
James Tufts, forms	17.40	
George Barnstead & Son, tax tables	1.00	
Assn. of Mass. Assessors, dues	6.00	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	2.58	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	17.10	
Edw. T. Parsons, postage and telephone	3.90	
Raymond A. Warner, Register of Deeds	86.40	214.88
		\$914.88
Town Clerk		
William E Shaw, salary		300.00
Expenses		
William E. Shaw, recording fees	50.00	
Employers' Liab. Assur. Corp., bond	7.50	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	83.30	
Mass. Town Clerks' Assn., dues	3.00	
Postage	4.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	6.76	154.56
		\$454.56
Town Clerk		
George Poole, recording fees, 1948		\$119.00
Certification of Notes		
Director of Accounts		12.00

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Law

James F. Mahoney, Attorney	25.00	
Morse & Morse, Attorneys	45.00	70.00

Election and Registration

Registrars

Raymond Beaudoin	14.40	
Roy G. Shaw	11.70	
Daniel P. Shea	7.20	33.30

Expenses

Precinct officers	168.19	
Arthur's Snack Bar, lunches	4.65	
Florence Jackson, lunches	5.50	
George Dewey, janitor services	3.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	22.50	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	51.35	255.19

Street Listing

Marion Plant	60.00	
Minnie Flaherty	60.00	
Emma Loftus	60.00	
Lena Wilson, typing	30.00	210.00

\$498.49

THE LAWRENCE MEMORIAL HALL

New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	76.25	
Harry E. Sessions, electrical work	21.10	
Atlas Products Co., frosted lamps	11.40	
Carpenter-Manufacturing Co., light	69.42	
C. L. Haskell, flame-proofing curtains	36.00	
William Kimball, labor	30.00	
Julian Hussey, labor	48.00	
Kimball & Hussey, material	12.00	
Aubrey Lapolice, technical supervision	24.00	328.17

NEW ROOF FOR MEMORIAL HALL

Warren F. Hoye, roof	1,828.00	
Kimball & Hussey, labor	22.00	1,850.00

TOWN HALL

Douglas Rhodes, janitor service	247.00	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	281.75	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	75.90	

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H. E. Kimball & Sons	6.16	
Isaac Hodgen, keys and express charges	3.18	
Carpenter Mfg. Co., reconditioning light	37.25	
J. Raymond Gould, battery recharge	1.00	
Ryther & Warren, hardware	2.95	
J. Russell & Co., supplies	37.71	
Robert Hodgen, painting	64.50	
Willard Young, labor	15.75	
Highland Paint & Wallpaper Co.	35.10	808.25
RENOVATION TOWN HALL		
T. V. Pratt, lumber	9.86	
J. Russell & Co.	37.71	
Willard Young, washing and painting	75.00	
John Robinson Company, paint	24.75	147.32
AMERICAN LEGION HEADQUARTERS		
A. H. Phillips, rent	100.00	
Mr. and Mrs. James McCarthy, rent	40.00	
Vernon Lodge Building Assn., rent	125.00	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	19.40	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel	119.10	403.50
POLICE		
Services as officers		
Frank L. Gold	85.85	
D. Donald Hazen	83.14	
Robert Camp	16.00	
Andrew Sears	188.67	
Nelson Hill	239.30	
Harlan Davis, dog officer	65.00	
Paige Piper, precinct officer	12.80	
Francis Loftus, precinct officer	10.80	
Charles Corry, school officer	110.00	811.56
Commissioner of Public Safety, firearms book	1.15	
Elmer K. Carrington, repairs to town jail	6.65	
Pernette Bracey, cleaning jail	5.00	12.80
		\$824.36

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FIRE DEPARTMENT

Milton C. Baggs, Fire Chief, salary		200.00
Expenses		
Milton C. Baggs, oil and gas permits	152.25	
Sundry Persons, services at fires	176.00	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	149.81	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	169.10	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	73.25	
Equipment and repairs		
American-LaFrance Foamite Corp., ex-		
tinguishers, batteries, badges, helmets,		
coats, air-pak masks	582.87	
J. Russell & Co., utility compressor, etc.	114.51	
Gas, Oil, Anti-freeze, etc.		
Ada E. Davis	57.14	
J. Raymond Gould	51.71	
Webster's Store	.90	
Raymond Gould, battery, tires, chain, etc.	79.29	
H. A. Hopkins' Store, boots, cleaning		
blankets and coats	39.00	
H. B. Ketchen & Son, speedi-dri	3.00	
M. C. Baggs, report pads	1.70	
Webster's Store, tires and tubes	235.00	
Faulkner Hardware Store, keys	2.10	
Belchertown Motor Sales, state inspections	6.00	
Squires' Garage, repairs	127.96	
Fred Malonee, keys	5.40	
Carpenter Mfg. Co., bulbs	4.25	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	1.13	
Ryther & Warren, screening	1.80	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	5.10	
Harold Cochran, Scotch-lite, danger signs	7.30	
H. E. Kimball & Sons, tank of gas, funnel	3.45	2,050.02

\$2,250.02

FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT

Milton C. Baggs, issuing permits	40.00
Sundry persons, services at fires	236.27
Leon Antonovitch, cleaning water hole, erect-	
ing fence	52.00

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J. Raymond Gould, gas	4.89	
American-LaFrance Foamite Corp., nozzle, batteries	27.17	
Farrar Co., aluminum ladder	288.05	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel oil	36.90	685.28
HYDRANT SERVICE		
Belchertown Water District		1,500.00
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES		
Raymond C. Gay, salary and transportation	72.50	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	5.27	77.77
MOTH SUPPRESSION		
Harlan B. Davis, Superintendent	84.75	
Sundry persons, labor	449.14	
Use of truck	66.00	599.89
WILDCAT BOUNTIES		
* John Fletcher	20.00	
Wallace Godfrey	10.00	30.00
TREE WARDEN		
Labor		
Edward Conkey	218.70	
Charles Howard	11.70	
Edward Schmidt	77.85	
Edward Schmidt, chain saw	160.50	
Merton Pratt	14.40	
Pernette Bracey	39.60	
Malcolm Stone	28.80	
Ira Shattuck	21.60	
Harlan Purrington	12.60	
John Rush	8.10	593.85
Albert Brown, removing tree	35.00	
Northern Tree Expert Co., removing tree	10.00	
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, kerosene	5.10	
H. E. Kimball & Sons, axes	6.80	
Edward Conkey, use of truck	10.00	
Ira Shattuck, use of truck	14.00	
Gordon Wade, spraying and pruning trees	356.90	437.80
		\$1,031.65

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HEALTH

Dr. Francis Austin, inspector of animals	200.00	
Charles H. Egleston, inspector of meat	36.00	
John R. Newman, inspector of meat	15.50	251.50
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	10.75	
Belchertown State School, sewage disposal	639.37	
Roy G. Shaw, death certificates	2.25	652.37
Care of Dump		
Earl Fay	38.33	
William Squires	27.50	
Norman Wilson	13.60	
Robert Stone	3.75	
Harlan Davis	3.72	
Town Truck No. 1	4.80	
Joe Berube	14.40	
Use of tractor	5.00	111.10
Hampshire County Sanatorium	429.00	
D. Donald Hazen, transportation to Leeds	7.00	436.00
		\$1,450.97

HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 81

Labor payrolls, sundry persons	10,150.92
Insurance	342.80
Trucks, sundry persons	2,633.70
Town equipment	5,863.50
Warner Bros., shovel	145.65
Roy Nutting, shovel	396.00
J. B. Haggerty, roller	18.00
Stephen Puffer, shovel	988.00

Material

Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	1,048.10
Elder Jones, lumber	62.68
Barrett Division	5,889.17
W. H. Young, painting signs	9.00
New England Metal Culvert Co.	1,019.13
Harvey Samson, spraying brush	26.00
T. V. Pratt, lumber	23.36
Lukon Inc., weed toxin	122.31
Mr. Reynolds, gravel	32.30

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Mrs. Baril, gravel	48.40	
Robert Nutting, gravel	61.00	
Buscroft Shops, signs	22.50	
Asphalt Pavement Corp.	691.48	
John S. Lane & Sons, trap rock	278.73	9,334.16

\$29,872.73

HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 90—MAINTENANCE

Labor payrolls, sundry persons		401.80
Insurance		13.57
Trucks, sundry persons		77.20
Town equipment		188.80
J. B. Haggerty, roller		24.00
Material		
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	146.06	
Asphalt Pavement Corp.	285.60	
John S. Lane & Sons	208.65	
Barrett Division	154.32	794.63

\$1,500.00

HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 90—CONSTRUCTION

Labor payrolls, sundry persons		1,226.68
Town Equipment		355.90
Trucks, sundry persons		139.80
Trucking, sundry persons		753.71
Dan C. Connell, spreader box		62.40
San Vel Construction Co., moving spreader box		56.65
San Vel Construction Co., roller		315.00
Preston Atwood, tractor		24.00
Roy Nutting, crane		24.00
Materials		
John S. Lane & Sons	1,493.04	
American Oil Products Co.	3,540.58	
W. H. Young, painting signs	16.00	
Elder Jones, lumber	6.48	5,056.10

\$8,014.24

HIGHWAYS—STREETS

Earl Howland, telephone, postage	8.48
Charles Downing, sharpening axes	5.25

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Raymond C. Gay, express	.65	
Harold Cochran, Scotch-lite, danger signs	4.85	
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	47.04	66.27
HIGHWAYS—BRIDGES		
Labor payrolls, sundry persons	294.59	
Town Equipment	101.80	
Truck, Earl Howland	2.40	
Lumber		
Raymond Jenks	220.20	
Jos. Bush	95.84	
W. D. Cows & Co.	189.47	
Stephen Puffer, shovel	81.00	985.30
HIGHWAYS—FLOOD CONTROL		
Labor payrolls, sundry persons	206.53	
Town Equipment	140.30	
Trucks, sundry persons	6.00	352.83
HIGHWAYS—SIDEWALKS		
Labor payrolls, sundry persons	155.96	
Town Equipment	33.20	
Trucks, sundry persons	7.20	
J. B. Haggerty, rent and moving shovel	58.00	
Asphalt Pavement Corp.	270.30	524.66
HIGHWAYS—SNOW REMOVAL		
Labor payrolls, sundry persons		2,182.74
Town Equipment		1,412.70
Trucks, sundry persons		1,033.38
Milton Stone, plowing sidewalks		32.00
Robert Nutting, sand	20.00	
Mass. Dept. of Public Works, Div. of		
Highways	430.98	
Chemical Corp., rock salt	468.70	
Stephen Puffer, shovel	48.00	
Eastern Equipment Sales, "Tee" posts	41.86	1,009.54
		\$5,670.36
STREET LIGHTS		
Central Mass. Electric Co.		1,986.65

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ROAD MACHINERY EXPENSE ACCOUNT

Gas, oil, grease, etc., sundry persons		1,261.41
Repairs, labor and material		2,482.48
Light, water and heat		339.61
All other		
Registrations	11.00	
Inspections	1.50	
Diesel Motor license	1.00	
Gas tax	27.15	
Buscroft shops, lettering signs	7.50	
Fred Mallonee, keys	2.70	
Express charges	4.01	
Comm. of Mass., permit	1.00	55.86
		\$4,139.36

SEWER LAND DAMAGES

Sundry Persons	201.00
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SEWER CONSTRUCTION

Labor payrolls, sundry persons		7,084.36
Town Equipment		364.00
Hired trucks		1,392.24
Hired equipment		
San Vel Const. Co.	214.93	
Warner Bros.	2,022.00	
William Squires	7.50	
Preston Atwood	16.50	
Elmer Carrington	2.00	
Harold Cook	40.00	
L. D. Nutting	78.00	
Henry Renouf	182.00	2,562.93
William Squires, mechanic	3.00	
F. P. Loftus, loam, trucking, unloading tile	85.25	
G. H. Pierce & Son, mason	9.30	
Karl E. Grout	48.75	146.30
Cleaning up sewer lines, sundry per- sons		138.90
Central Vermont Railway, flagging service	20.95	

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Raymond C. Gay, express	7.09	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	2.50	
Simplex Valve and Meter Co., meter charts	18.90	
Charles Downing, sharpening tools	3.00	
Tighe & Bond, engineering work	500.00	
Bell & Hudson, insurance	297.03	849.47

Materials

Town Highway Dept., oil	1.50	
John S. Lane and Sons	178.37	
Oakes Electrical Supply	15.63	
J. R. Gould, kerosene, gas, etc.	84.94	
Eastern Equipment Sales, 'H' Bits.	5.66	
H. E. Kimball & Sons, pail	.79	
Lake Asphalt & Petroleum Co.	499.28	
Zabek Sand & Gravel	135.46	
Elder Jones Lumber Co.	783.17	
Hartford Brick Corp.	82.40	
Lynch Brick Co.	24.00	
Westfield Clay Products Co.	442.75	
Ryther and Warren, supplies	3,365.31	
Hedge and Matthies, supplies	6.10	
J. & W. Jolly, manhole frames and covers	712.50	
The Barrett Division	106.99	
A. Giard & Sons, concrete	48.00	
Chemical Corp., chloride	151.75	
Conn. Valley Block Co.	42.34	
City of Springfield, Water Works, pipe	133.58	
Warner Bros., oakum	43.50	
J. Russell & Co., supplies	7.94	
Asphalt Pavement Corp.	115.82	6,987.78

\$19,525.98

PUBLIC WELFARE

Administrative	
Lena Wilson, salary	802.13
Office Expenses	
Postage, box rent, printing, etc.	30.83

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Travel	54.74	
Conference expenses	27.86	
Supplies	25.37	
Telephone	43.65	182.45
Board and Care, sundry persons		385.90
Groceries and Provisions		98.50
State Institutions		1,817.48
Medical Attendance and Medicine		
Dr. James L. Collard	363.00	
Firemen's Assn., use of ambulance	10.00	
Westfield State Sanatorium	90.00	
Holyoke Hospital	152.00	
Dr. William J. Hogan	7.00	
Cooley Dickinson Hospital	124.00	
College Drug Store, Amherst	3.50	749.50
Other Cities and Towns		
City of Springfield	2.00	
City of Chicopee	260.32	
Town of Ware	74.40	336.72
All Other		
Kenneth Bristol, transportation	17.37	
John Hancock Life Insurance Co.	36.95	
Charles Austin, travel	43.89	98.21
		\$4,470.89
RELIEF FROM CHARITY FUNDS		
Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund		50.00
VETERANS' AID		
Mass. Vet. Service Agents' Assn., sub-		
scription and dues	20.00	
Cash payments, sundry persons	257.40	
Groceries	10.00	
Belchertown Pharmacy	15.50	
Dr. Duval	8.00	
Dr. William J. Hogan	28.00	
Dr. Anton	24.00	
Veteran's Burial	150.00	512.90
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—TOWN APPROPRIATION		
Cash Aid, sundry persons		\$32,083.94

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Aid by Other Cities and Towns		
Town of Orange	45.10	
Town of Ware	80.07	
Town of West Springfield	103.98	
City of Chicopee	270.90	
Town of Amherst	65.27	
City of Springfield	485.31	
Town of Ludlow	285.36	
Town of Palmer	629.27	1,965.26
Administrative Expense		
Lena Wilson, salary	67.50	
Lena Wilson, travel	6.44	
New England Tel. & Tel Co., telephone	7.85	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	26.91	
Framingham Conference, dues, etc.	8.25	116.95

\$34,166.15

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL GRANTS

Cash Aid, sundry persons	24,563.74	
Audit adjustment	56.98	24,620.72

O. A. A.—FEDERAL GRANTS—ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE

Lena Wilson, salary	845.00	
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	37.36	
Box rent, postage, etc.	57.25	
Supplies	28.75	
Travel	39.90	
Welfare meeting expenses	6.50	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	28.68	1,043.44

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

From Federal Grants		
Cash aid, sundry persons	1,590.95	
Lena Wilson, salary	40.37	
From Town Appropriation		
Cash aid, sundry persons	2,583.40	4,214.72

SCHOOLS

School Committee		
Albert Markham, salary	50.00	

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Fanny G. Morey, salary	40.00	
E. Clifton Witt, salary	40.00	
Greenlawn Restaurant, dinners, Union School Committee	29.25	
Mass. Association of School Committees	5.00	164.25
Superintendent		
Edwin A. Cox, salary	563.39	
Edwin A. Cox, travel	150.00	713.39
Administrative Assistant		
Carl J. Peterson, salary	3,828.90	
Carl J. Peterson, travel	300.00	4,128.90
Office Expenses		
Rose Dewey, salary	1,183.80	
Macmillan Co., almanac	1.83	
American Assn. of School Administrators	10.00	
American School and University	2.80	
Wright & Potter Printing Co.	2.70	
Forbes Snyder, supplies	16.48	
University of Nebraska	3.62	
Carl J. Peterson, conference expenses	127.93	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	31.23	
Edwin A. Cox, Union School Committee dinners, conference expenses	99.84	
The Flax Co.	5.95	
Jackson's Store	1.39	
H. T. Janes & Sons	16.95	
Postage, box rent, envelopes, etc.	17.20	1,521.72
Salaries of Teachers and Substitutes		
Blanche Austin	2,007.24	
Bernadette Bowler	2,411.64	
Mildred Carter	2,190.33	
Marie Cincotta	40.57	
John J. Connolly	796.14	
Clara Cook	1,362.96	
Elaine Curtin	900.00	
Elwyn Doubleday	2,522.97	
Chester B. Eisold	2,656.71	
Eleanor Fitzgerald	2,461.29	
Alice Flaherty	2,332.89	
Guy E. Harrington	3,595.40	

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Vera Harrington	2,332.89	
Nancy Lee Hudson	761.49	
Florence Jackson	2,211.72	
Madeleine Lambert	2,332.89	
Emma Loftus	1,802.65	
Marguerite Meehan	1,386.48	
Irene Orlando	2,329.34	
Sophia Pero	2,510.05	
Mildred Robbins	2,258.35	
Marion Shaw	2,530.00	
Nellie Shea	2,298.33	
Ada Tague	2,510.85	
Lillian Vatousiou	2,298.98	
Ellen von Hofen	1,000.00	
Jean Chaffee	338.00	
Mildred Cole	236.00	
Frances Hodgen	312.00	
Laura Copithorne	21.00	
May Rose Dewey	14.00	
Helen Miazza	7.00	
Rachel Shumway	7.00	
Lucy Sullivan	84.00	
Margaret Knight	63.00	
Rinehart, Penmanship	480.00	53,404.16
Transportation		
Fay Ayers	1,780.00	
Lincoln Cook	2,000.00	
Raymond Gay	4,260.00	
Donald Hazen	2,210.00	
Everett Howard	1,640.00	
William Squires	2,210.00	14,100.00
Teachers' Expenses		
Eleanor Fitzgerald	2.60	
Vera Harrington	3.75	
Guy Harrington	29.70	
Sophia Pero	13.00	
Marion Shaw	1.00	
D. C. Heath Co.	2.74	52.79
Truant Officer		
D. Donald Hazen		13.48

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Other General Expense		
Wm. Squires, field trip, "Career Day"	16.00	
Donald Hazen, "Career Day"	8.00	
Charles Dingman, professional services		
Library alterations	168.30	
Ware River News, legal notice	3.00	
T. V. Pratt, finish pine, library alterations	4.80	
Higham, Neilson, Whitridge, Reid, re-		
newal, sports medical policy	210.00	
L. G. Balfour, Pro Merito pins	12.96	
Mason W. Trentwell, assembly speaker	15.00	
Springfield Union, advertising	6.80	
Sundry persons, refreshments, arithme-		
tic meetings	17.35	
Lewis H. Blackmer, adv. for bids	9.00	471.21
Fuel		
Lloyd C. Chadbourne	2,748.10	
J. Raymond Gould	4.26	
T. V. Pratt	33.00	
F. P. Loftus	102.00	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	6.75	2,894.11
Lights		
Central Mass. Electric Co.		464.58
Water		
Belchertown Water District	109.16	
Bondsville Water Co.	32.00	141.16
Telephone		
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.		335.25
Repairs and Replacements		
Louis Shumway, sharpening mower	2.25	
M. C. Baggs	54.69	
William Kimball, labor	212.90	
Julian Hussey, labor	216.00	
Kimball & Hussey, materials	114.85	
J. B. Sibley & Son, sash cord, pails, etc.	20.88	
Squires' Garage, brazing, welding, etc.	66.59	
Gledhill Bros., waste baskets, chairs	395.43	
William Chevalier, labor	265.65	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	84.46	
Carl J. Peterson, keys	.50	

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Charles W. Dingman, study of High School basement alterations	115.00	
E. W. Fiske & Co.	5.25	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	196.08	
Albert Dudek, labor	475.95	
Raymond Gay, express	2.76	
Finnell System Inc., cleaning and polishing machine	368.57	
John Wood, labor	88.00	
Howard Spencer, plastering	20.00	
Tremco Mfg. Co.	88.79	
Dolge Co.	10.69	
A. C. Horn Co.	15.51	
Earl Fay	2.50	
Town tractor	2.50	
H. E. Sessions, electrical work	32.00	
Karl E. Grout	3.50	
Samuel Joyal, labor	15.75	
Hillyard Sales, floor brushes	36.50	
Charles Howard, trucking	9.00	
The Garland Co.	40.34	
W. E. Aldrich, repairs to Union roof	3.00	
Raymond Menard, labor	4.00	
Westfield Dispatch	1.87	
Dewey & Co., tile flooring	340.95	3,312.71
Books and Supplies, sundry persons		5,056.11
Janitors and Assistants		
George Dewey	2,587.50	
Blanche Austin	5.00	
Samuel Joyal	12.60	
Albert Dudek	330.00	
Roger Bowler	80.00	
Roger Massey	5.00	
Richard Lancey	90.00	3,110.10
Janitors' Supplies, sundry persons		710.75
Janitor Service, 1947-1948		
Peter Whittaker		40.00
Graduation		
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing		19.08

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Health			
Minnie Davis, nurse, salary	1,511.58		
Minnie Davis, travel allowance	300.00		
Dr. James Collard, salary	250.00		
Belchertown Pharmacy	28.60		
J. L. Hammett Co.	3.50		
Conference expense	1.00		
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	6.88	2,101.56	
Household Arts Department			
Florence Jackson, conference expense	7.54		
Central Mass. Electric Co.	80.00		
White Sewing Machine Co.	85.80		
Groceries, sundry persons	114.20		
Carlisle Hardware, spoons	3.60		
Forbes & Wallace, materials	60.93		
McAuslin & Wakelin, supplies	1.20		
Raymond C. Gay, express	1.05		
Bernie Budlong, text books	52.02	406.34	
			\$93,161.65
SCHOOLS—FROM OTHER FUNDS			
Smith-Hughes Fund			
Florence Jackson, salary		106.35	
VOCATIONAL EDUCATION			
City of Holyoke	35.10		
City of Springfield	16.40	51.50	
LAWRENCE PARSONS RECREATION FIELD			
Isaac Hodgen, mowing	7.00		
Robert Hodgen, mowing	78.00		
Squires' Garage, mowing	4.00		
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	11.00		
Supplies, sundry persons	27.05		
Removing brush, sundry persons	26.55		
Weidenmiller-McGouvern, repairs to mower	15.70		
Belchertown High School, set of bases	12.95	182.25	
CARE OF COMMON			
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	7.55		
Weidenmiller-Magouvern, repairs to mower	30.84		
Boy Scouts, raking	20.00		

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Robert Hodgen, mowing	73.50	
Harry E. Sessions, wiring bandstand	77.25	209.14
CEMETERIES		
Labor		
Harry Bishop	188.99	
Charles Austin	203.24	
Chester Cook	173.25	
Fred Dewey	214.50	779.98
Holbrook C. Prescott, loam	6.75	
The Ryther & Warren Co., supplies	8.30	
Webster's Store, mower	19.00	
Sundry persons, grass seed	25.93	
Louis A. Shumway, sharpening mowers	8.00	
H. E. Kimball & Sons, paint	1.75	69.73
		\$849.71
SOLDIERS' GRAVES		
Labor		
Fred Dewey	124.13	
Chester Cook	51.75	
Harry Bishop	21.52	
The Ryther & Warren Co., supplies	2.60	200.00
UNCLASSIFIED		
Clarence Robinson, field driver		18.00
Preparing Town Report Copy		
Ella A. Stebbins	20.00	
June S. Henneman	48.80	68.80
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing town reports		385.00
Bulldozing at Town Beach		15.00
		\$486.80
PHOTOSTATIC COPIES SOLDIERS' DISCHARGES		
Schmidt Photo Service		12.00
SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM		
Chester Eisold, salary	299.95	
Barbara Young	80.00	
Schmidt Photo Service, photographs	4.45	
Supplies, balls, lock, masonite, molding		

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material	34.15	
Elder Jones, lumber	15.36	
Healy & Bostrom, softball, bats, etc.	25.60	459.51
MEMORIAL DAY		
Jackson's Store, flags	50.00	
Dr. Arthur Westwell, honorarium	15.00	
Amherst Drum Corps	100.00	
Aubrey-D. Lapolice, flagging graves	2.50	
Kelly, The Florist, wreaths	12.00	
Sundry persons, refreshments	15.86	195.36
ARMISTICE DAY		
Kelly, The Florist, wreaths		50.00
TOWN CLOCK		
George Wyman, care of clock		100.00
PUBLIC DUMP		
Clarissa Austin		41.67
BARDWELL STREET LIGHT		
Central Mass. Electric Co.		56.25
INSURANCE		
Star Insurance Co. of America	615.66	
Merchants' Mutual Casualty Co.	639.30	
Employers' Fire Insurance Co.	10.00	
Anna R. Gold	36.80	
Bell and Hudson	2,049.24	
William E. Shaw	149.00	3,500.00
INTEREST		
Palmer National Bank		115.08
CLAPP MEMORIAL LIBRARY		
Lloyd C. Chadbourne, fuel	233.09	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	16.02	
Books, sundry persons	377.31	
Harriet Chevalier, cleaning	15.75	
William Chevalier, cleaning	18.15	
The Chemical Corp., esteron	7.00	
Robert Lindquist, mowing	20.00	
Bell and Hudson, insurance	13.56	700.88

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LIBRARY ALTERATIONS

J. J. Kempkes & Son, labor	907.50	—
William Kimball, Jr., labor	20.00	
Seipel, Inc., plumbing	725.00	
R. G. Harrington, heating	1,242.00	
Adolph Jurczyk, electric work	742.00	3,636.50

MATURING DEBT

Palmer National Bank, Road Machinery Loan		1,000.00
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AGENCY

Withholding Tax		
Collector of Internal Revenue	2,356.98	
Palmer National Bank	3,832.26	6,189.24
County of Hampshire		
County Tax	8,234.26	
Sale of Dogs	13.50	
Dog Licenses	1,008.60	9,256.36
Dog Officer Fees		
Harlan Davis, dog officer		124.00
Comm. of Massachusetts		
State Parks and Reservations		309.88

TRUST

Cemetery Perpetual Care		
Labor		
Harry Bishop	22.72	
Charles Austin	137.25	
Chester Cook	45.75	
Fred Dewey	95.25	
Materials		
The Chemical Corp.	7.00	
Belchertown Water District	8.10	
Ryther and Warren, grass scythes	4.50	
Stanley Dudek, mowing	10.00	
Squires' Garage, mowing	15.00	345.57
Hampshire County Retirement System, town appropriation	250.35	
Hampshire County Retirement System, withholdings	191.78	442.13

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Mass. Hospital Service Inc.		210.15
Private Trust Accounts		894.20
INVESTMENT		
Amherst Savings Bank		
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund In-		
come	206.17	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund Ex-		
pense	2.59	208.76
Palmer National Bank		20,000.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Investment		200.00
REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS		
Clapp Memorial Library, dog li-		
censes		762.11
Clapp Memorial Library, Susan Bridg-		
man Poor Fund		50.00
Clapp Memorial Library, Calvin		
Bridgman Library Fund		200.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax refunds		424.29
Personal Tax, 1949 refund		9.40
Poll Tax, 1949 refund		2.00
ROAD MACHINERY GRADER		12,000.00
TEMPORARY SEWER LOAN		45,000.00
Total expenditures for year ending		
Dec. 31, 1949		\$360,619.31
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1949		54,533.30
		\$415,152.61

Belchertown, Mass., Jan. 30, 1949

I hereby certify the foregoing information to be complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

June S. Henneman

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Road Machinery Earnings—1949

Equipment	Sundry Persons	Bridges	Flood	Sidewalks	Snow	Chapter 81	Chapter 90 Maint.	Chapter 90 Const.	Sewers	Totals
Truck No. 1	\$4.80	\$94.80	\$79.20	\$19.20	\$701.20	\$1,118.80	\$28.80	\$48.00	\$90.00	\$2,184.80
Truck No. 2	3.50	7.00	35.00	14.00	601.50	1,718.30	147.00	217.00	84.00	2,827.30
Tractor, small	12.50	.....	5.00	.....	.....	317.40	.....	7.20	8.00	350.10
Loader	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	278.20	2.60	5.20	.....	295.10
Grader	42.00	.....	12.00	.....	59.50	2,305.00	.....	70.00	77.00	2,565.50
Plow	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	50.50
Mowing Machine	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	41.50	.....	.....	.....	41.50
Tractor, big	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	16.00	.....	.....	.....	21.00
Jack Hammer	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.50	.....	.....	.....	2.50
Air Compressor	7.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.00	.....	.....	21.00	47.50
Sander	28.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	46.80	10.40	8.50	.....	94.20
Bulldozer									84.00	84.00
Totals	\$103.80	\$101.80	\$140.30	\$33.20	\$1,412.70	\$5,863.50	\$188.80	\$355.90	\$364.00	\$8,564.00

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Town Warrant

FEBRUARY 6 AND 13, 1950

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To any of the constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said
County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places in said Belchertown, designated by the Selectmen, to wit:

IN PRECINCT A, at Lawrence Memorial Hall in Jabish Street.

IN PRECINCT B, at the Franklin School Building in Franklin Street in South Belchertown, on Monday, the sixth day of February, A. D., 1950 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to precinct officers of the several polling precincts of said Town for the following officers, to wit: a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, five Constables, a Tree Warden, each for one year; one School Committee member for three years, one Assessor for three years and one Cemetery Commissioner for three years.

The polls will be open at nine o'clock in the forenoon and closed at 7 o'clock p. m.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Belchertown qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Lawrence Memorial Hall in said Belchertown, on Monday, the thirteenth day of February, A. D. 1950, at 7.30 o'-

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clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To choose the following named officers by nomination: two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year; one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 2. To hear the reports of the officers of the town and of any committees that may have been appointed by the town and act thereon.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses listed in the Finance Committee report for the current financial year and act thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1950, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account the sum of \$2,500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the school committee for the year ensuing, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to allow the selectmen to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1950, as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.00, or take any action relative thereto.

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Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to allow the cemetery commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemetery at a rate not to exceed 75 cents per hour for the year 1950, as provided for in the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account the sum of \$1,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1947 for the purchase of road machinery, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account the sum of \$2,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1949, for the purchase of road machinery, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary for the Inspector of Wires, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the prevention and suppression of the Dutch Elm disease, such sums to be expended under the direction of the Moth Superintendent as required by the statutes, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to adopt as a by-law the following, or take any action relative thereto:

Removal of Snow and Ice from Sidewalks

Sec. 1. The tenant, occupant, and in case there is no tenant, the owner or person having the care, of any estate abutting upon any sidewalk shall, within twenty-four hours after the ceasing to fall or the accumulation of any snow or ice thereon, cause the same to be removed from the parts of the sidewalk on which said estate abuts, and if the same cannot wholly be removed, shall sprinkle sand thereon or act otherwise to make the sidewalk safe and convenient for travel.

Sec. 2. Whoever violates any provision of the preceding section shall pay a fine of not more than ten dollars, but no prosecution hereunder shall be commenced after six months from the

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committing of the offense.

Sec. 3. If any person neglects or refuses to perform the duties required of him by the preceding section numbered 1, the selectmen may, after due notice to such person, perform such duties, and recover from such person the expense thereof not exceeding ten dollars for each occasion.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to adopt the following amendment to the town By-Laws, to be designated as Section 2 of Article 9 of the by-laws of Belchertown, or take any action relative thereto.

No person shall ride a bicycle, ride or drive a horse or any other animal, or operate a motor vehicle on any public sidewalk of the town, unless authorized by the Selectmen.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Insurance Reserve Account the sum of \$350.00 to the Insurance Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to adopt the "Regulations Establishing the Minimum Standards of Fitness for Human Habitation", as made by the Department of Public Health acting under the provisions of Section 128 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 468 of the Acts of 1943 and Chapter 631 of the Acts of 1947, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$50.00 to reimburse Ethan H. Holden as the amount paid by him to the town for land on Amherst Road, later found to have legally reverted to original heirs, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to accept as a final report the report of the School Building Committee appointed February 12, 1945, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Moderator to name a committee of three to work with the School Committee, to study the Elementary School housing situation and to make recommendations for expanding of needed school facilities,

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and report to the next special town meeting, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to replace the fence between the driveway rented to the Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc., and the Memorial Hall grounds, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for bills incurred in 1949:

Dr. Harry G. Anton for Veterans' Services	\$12.00
Cooley Dickinson Hospital for Public Welfare	190.00
Wilfred T. Weston for police services	11.00
Andrew T. Sears for police services	23.80
The Ryther & Warren Co., renovations at Library	496.91
R. G. Harrington Co., renovations at Library	138.00
The Tremco Mfg. Co., renovations at Library	122.76
Wesley Dingman, renovations at Library	196.87

or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the use of the Selectmen in laying out, re-locating or altering town ways, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 24. To see if the town will appropriate from receipts of sewer rentals for the purpose of paying a portion of the maturing debt, interest and maintenance of public sewers, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install three street lights on River Street extending from the residence of Ellery Holt to that of William D. Russell, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 26. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$25,000.00 to meet the shares of the State and County

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allotments on highway repair and maintenance under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 of the General Laws, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway construction, to be used in conjunction with State and County allotments, and determine upon which road such construction shall take place, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to relocate two street lights, now located on the discontinued section of State Street in front of the State School, and place them on the new overpass at the lower end of Maple Street, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to act as a planning board under Section 81A, Chapter 41, General Laws, until such a board is established, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 30. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at Union School at Dwight, and one at Keyes' Hotel seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting. -

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-third day of January, A. D. 1950.

ISAAC A. HODGEN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
CHARLES F. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

APPENDIX

Report of Finance Committee

Account	Appropriations 1949	Expended 1949	Recommended 1950
Selectmen	\$800.00	\$808.93	Ch. of Select. \$175.00 Clerk 125.00 Other mem. 125.00 Ch. Pub. Wel. 175.00 Other mem. 125.00 Other mem. 125.00 Expenses 200.00
			\$1,050.00
Town Accountant	425.00	423.65	Salary 400.00 Expenses 25.00
Treasurer	715.00	845.11	Salary 525.00 Expenses 290.00
Tax Collector	825.00	824.57	Salary 500.00 Expenses 525.00
Assessors	900.00	914.88	Sal. Ch. 300.00 Other mem. 200.00 Other mem. 200.00 Expenses 250.00
Town Clerk	450.00	454.56	Salary 300.00 Expenses 200.00
			Plus fees
Election and Registration	500.00	498.49	950.00
Certification of Notes	20.00	12.00	20.00
Law	150.00	70.00	150.00
Town Hall	800.00	808.25	800.00
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00	328.17	300.00
Legion Headquarters	400.00	403.50	400.00
Police	500.00	824.36	1,000.00
Fire Department	2,300.00	2,250.02	2,300.00
Forest Fires	1,100.00	685.28	1,100.00
Hydrant Service	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00	599.89	600.00
Tree Warden	1,000.00	1,031.65	400.00
Sealer Weights and Measures	85.00	77.77	85.00
Health	1,200.00	1,450.97	1,400.00

APPENDIX

Account	Appropriations 1949	Expended 1949	Recommended 1950
Highways—Chapter 81	4,120.00	29,872.73	4,120.00
Highways—Chap. 90, Maint.	500.00	1,500.00	500.00
Highways—Snow	6,000.00	5,670.36	5,000.00
Highways—Streets	100.00	66.27	100.00
Sidewalks	500.00	524.66	100.00
Highways—Bridges	600.00	985.00	1,000.00
Clean., Repair. Water Holes	100.00		200.00
Street Lights	2,000.00	1,986.65	2,072.50
Public Welfare	4,400.00	4,470.89	4,500.00
Veterans' Aid	500.00	512.90	500.00
Old Age Assistance	34,000.00	34,166.15	37,500.00
Aid Dependent Children	3,250.00	2,583.40	3,250.00
Schools	93,165.00	93,161.65	102,830.00
Vocational Education	1,000.00	51.50	500.00
Parsons Athletic Field	300.00	182.25	300.00
Retirement Payments	250.00	250.35	346.15
Cemeteries	850.00	849.71	850.00
Soldiers' Graves	200.00	200.00	200.00
Unclassified	500.00	486.80	500.00
Reserve Fund	1,500.00	1,485.14	Overlay Res. 2,000.00
Memorial Day	200.00	195.36	200.00
Armistice Day	50.00	50.00	50.00
Honor Roll	20.00		20.00
Insurance	3,500.00	3,500.00	2,800.00
Interest	300.00	115.08	800.00
Maturing Debt	1,000.00	1,000.00	665.00
Town Clock	100.00	100.00	100.00
Public Dump	100.00	41.67	100.00
Care of Common	150.00	209.14	150.00
Photostats Discharges	25.00	12.00	25.00
Recreation Program	500.00	459.51	500.00
Clapp Memorial Library	700.00	700.88	700.00

Articles No. 14, 15, 17, 21, 25, 27 and 29 left open for discussion. All other articles are recommended.

WILLIAM N. WEBSTER
 GUY C. ALLEN, JR.
 BYRON A. HUDSON
 RALPH W. TROMBLY
 ROMEO J. JOYAL

Finance Committee

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Annual Reports of the
TOWN of BELCHERTOWN

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1950



Please Bring This Report to Town Meeting

Town Officers, 1950

MODERATOR

Lewis H. Blackmer Term expires February 1951

TOWN CLERK

William E. Shaw Term expires February 1951

TOWN TREASURER

William E. Shaw Term expires February 1951

COLLECTOR OF TAXES AND TOWN COLLECTOR

William E. Shaw Term expires February 1952

SELECTMEN, BOARD OF HEALTH AND BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Isaac A. Hodgen Term expires February 1951

Francis M. Austin Term expires February 1951

Charles F. Austin Term expires February 1951

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

E. Clifton Witt Term expires February 1951

Fanny G. Morey Term expires February 1952

Albert G. Markham Resigned, September 8, 1950

W. Paige Piper Appointed, September 8, 1950

Term expires February 1951

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Fred F. Dewey Term expires February 1951

Howard H. Dickinson Term expires February 1952

Charles F. Austin Term expires February 1953

ASSESSORS

Henry H. Witt	Term expires February 1951
George E. Booth	Term expires February 1952
Frederick E. Lincoln	Term expires February 1953

TREE WARDEN

Edward B. Conkey	Term expires February 1951
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CONSTABLES

Frank L. Gold	Term expires February 1951
D. Donald Hazen	Term expires February 1951
Nelson J. Hill	Term expires February 1951
Wilfred T. Weston	Term expires February 1951
Andrew T. Sears	Term expires February 1951

ALMONERS OF WHITING STREET AND MRS. SUSAN M. D. BRIDGMAN FUNDS

Mrs. Amy B. Witt	Term expires February 1951
Mrs. Louise A. Sherman	Term expires February 1951

TRUSTEES OF CALVIN BRIDGMAN FUND

George A. Poole	Term expires February 1951
D. Donald Hazen	Term expires February 1952
Lewis H. Blackmer	Term expires February 1953

APPOINTIVE OFFICERS

TRUSTEE FOR HAMP. CO. AID TO AGRICULTURE

Robert E. Hanifin

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Ella A. Stebbins	Term expires December 1953
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REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Raymond T. Beaudoin	Term expires February 1952
Daniel P. Shea	Term expires February 1951
Roy G. Shaw	Term expires February 1953
William E. Shaw (ex officio)	

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Guy C. Allen, Jr.	Term expires February 1951
Byron A. Hudson	Term expires February 1952
Romeo J. Joyal	Term expires February 1952
Ralph W. Trombly	Term expires February 1953
Elliott S. Cordner	Term expires February 1953

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Earl R. Howland

FIRE CHIEF AND FOREST WARDEN

Milton C. Baggs	Retired June 30, 1950
Joseph J. Kempkes, Sr.	Appointed Forest Warden and Acting Fire Chief July 1, 1950

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Edward B. Conkey

CHIEF OF POLICE

Frank L. Gold

SPECIAL POLICE

Dr. Henry A. Tadgell	
Thomas P. Feeney	
George B. Wyman	
Merle H. Mason	State School Grounds
Paul T. Austin	State School Grounds
Frank E. Farrington, Sr.	State School Grounds
Leon A. Geoffroy	State School Grounds
Reo L. Terrien	State School Grounds
Daniel H. Schwartz	State School Grounds
J. Earl Penn	State School Grounds
Charles H. Corry	
Henry R. Berger	
W. Paige Piper	
Frank P. Loftus	
Edward B. Conkey	Dog Officer

Emma Loftus	Street List
Minnie Flaherty	Street List
Marion Plant	Street List

SPECIAL AGENT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

Dr. Henry A. Tadgell

INSECTOR OF ANIMALS

Dr. Francis M. Austin

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

John R. Newman

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Raymond C. Gay

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND LUMBER

Edwin F. Shumway	Raymond C. Gay	Theron V. Pratt
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FENCE VIEWERS AND FIELD DRIVERS

Rudolph Smola	Robert Anderson	Clarence Robinson
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PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Harry L. Ryther	
H. Morgan Ryther	
Helena Brown	
John J. Cronin	State School
John E. Davis	State School
Paul T. Austin	State School
Sebastian E. Dudek	State School
Richard F. Barry	State School
John M. Connelly	State School
Patrick J. Nagle	State School
Theodore M. Picard	State School
John T. Flaherty	State School
Chester Sosnowski	State School
Aubrey D. Lapolice	State School

SUPERINTENDENT OF SEWERS

Milton C. Baggs

INSPECTOR OF WIRING

Harry E. Sessions

DEPUTY FOREST FIRE WARDENS

Kenneth F. Bristol

Louis E. Fuller

Roy G. Shaw

Carl J. Peterson

Guy C. Allen, Jr.

Isaac A. Hodgen

MEMBERS BELCHERTOWN FIRE DEPARTMENT

Milton C. Baggs

Harlan B. Davis

Joseph J. Kempkes, Sr.

John A. Collis

Kenneth F. Bristol

William N. Webster

Roy G. Shaw

William H. Squires, Jr.

Isaac A. Hodgen

Royal K. Gay

Louis A. Shumway

Richard W. Lofland

Albert G. Markham

Harold F. Peck

Sherman Gould

J. Raymond Gould

Guy C. Allen, Jr.

Ernest Gay

Joseph J. Kempkes, Jr.

Elmer Carrington

Nelson J. Hill

Walter P. Piper

Carl J. Peterson

R. Maynard Witt

Charles F. Austin

Fred E. Lincoln

John Wood

George M. Dewey

Harold B. Ketchen

William F. Kimball, Jr.

Louis E. Fuller

George B. Taylor

James L. Collard

Kenneth L. Collard

JURORS, 1950

GRAND JUROR

Douglas Rhodes

TRAVERSE JURORS DRAWN

February

Arthur R. Brooks

Harvey Samson

April

Milton C. Baggs

Robert W. Jenks

June

Kenneth B. Hawkins
Elmer K. Carrington

October

Harold A. Willey
Raymond Burke

December

Harold F. Peck
Max P. Bock

VETERANS' AGENT

Charles F. Austin

DIRECTOR OF CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Milton C. Baggs

Report of Selectmen

As has been customary, the Board organized at the first weekly Thursday night meeting following the election, and appointed Isaac A. Hodgen as chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Charles F. Austin chairman of the Board of Public Welfare, and Francis M. Austin chairman of the Board of Health and secretary of the Board of Selectmen.

Throughout the year regular weekly Thursday night meetings were held in the Selectmen's rooms at Memorial Hall. All necessary appointments were made. Mr. Frank L. Gold was appointed Chief of Police. Mr. Earl Howland was appointed Superintendent of Streets, a position from which he resigned in December. Highway work under Chapter 90 on the Three Rivers Road was done under the supervision of Mr. E. F. Shumway.

Mr. Milton Baggs was again appointed Chief of the Fire Department, an office that he has held for many years. All during his service, Chief Baggs spent himself in constant vigilance and untiring effort that the lives and property of this community might be protected. Mr. Baggs was obliged to retire from this position in the summer of this year, due to a retirement act of this Commonwealth. Mr. Joseph Kempkes was appointed Acting Chief for the remainder of the year.

Members of the Board attended all state and county meetings that were of any importance to this town.

At the fall state election, the Chairman of this Board was elected to represent the 4th Hampshire District in the General Court of this Commonwealth.

We hope and pray that the young people now in the armed forces will soon return home to enjoy a lasting world peace that they so well earned.

ISAAC A. HODGEN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
CHARLES F. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

Report of Board of Public Welfare

This year categorical relief has been affected by Congressional enactments amending the Federal Social Security Act. The amendment increasing the Old Age and Survivors' Insurance benefits, which became effective Sept. 1, 1950, has been reflected at a local level in a reduction of approximately \$270.00 a month in the combined Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children payrolls. Also affecting an ultimate saving to the Town was the amendment pertaining to Aid to Dependent Children which included Federal matching in some cases for the needy parent or relative with whom dependent children live. This should mean an increase of nearly \$50.00 a month in Federal reimbursement on this category of relief. The amendment to the Social Security Act, which provided for aid to certain permanently and totally disabled persons eighteen years of age and over, will not be effective in Massachusetts until the Legislature passes appropriate legislation.

Also, during the year, Federal reimbursement on Aid to Dependent Children was converted from a quarterly to a current monthly basis, which increased the 1950 reimbursement to practically the equivalent of fourteen months' payments.

The semi-annual re-investigation of each case, as required by law, has been made. This works to the mutual advantage of both the recipient and the Welfare Department. At this time, changes in circumstances are considered, and the budgetary grant is adjusted to be concurrent with the recipient's need. It also offers an opportunity to the recipient to discuss any prob-

lems in which the Welfare Department can be of help. Emergencies have been taken care of as they occurred.

The year opened with two cases, and closed with five cases on General Relief. This year, 36 persons, representing 12 cases, were aided with a total expenditure of \$1,492.00. Most of this was for maintenance, the need being attributed to unemployable cases, illness and unemployment. We also have one case at Tewksbury State Hospital, and one cared for under the Division of Child Guardianship at a total expense of \$1,405.34.

The number of persons receiving Aid to Dependent Children during the year was 17, representing four families, at an expense of \$4,417.68. One case was closed during the year, leaving three cases at the end of the year.

The number of Old Age Assistance recipients during the year was 88, the year starting with 75 and closing with 71. Two cases were closed because of increased Social Security benefits, and in nine cases Old Age Assistance supplements the benefits received under Social Security. Two cases are being cared for in licensed nursing homes, and special care is being provided in the recipient's home in three other cases. The total of local Old Age Assistance payments for 1950 was \$59,799.63.

SUMMARY OF EXPENSES AND RECEIPTS

GENERAL RELIEF:

Local payments	\$1,492.00	
Tewksbury State Hospital	859.01	
Division of Child Guardianship	546.33	
Total expenses		\$2,897.34
Receipts, local	29.27	
Receipts from other cities and towns	94.50	
State reimbursement	162.50	
Division of Child Guardianship account	212.00	
Collection of old account	700.00	
Total receipts		1,198.27
Net cost		\$1,699.07

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN:

Local payments		\$4,417.68
Federal grants in aid	1,892.30	
State reimbursement	1,433.04	
Total receipts	<u> </u>	<u>3,325.34</u>
Net cost		\$1,092.34

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:

Local payments	\$59,799.63	
To other cities and towns	1,161.33	
Total expenses	<u> </u>	<u>\$60,960.96</u>
Federal grants in aid	25,105.80	
State reimbursement	25,316.35	
From other cities and towns	1,584.11	
Cancelled checks and refunds	347.50	
Total receipts	<u> </u>	<u>52,353.76</u>
Net cost		\$8,607.20
Recovery received to be apportioned to		
Federal, State and Town	\$1,629.98	

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE:

Local payments	\$2,307.35
Federal adm. grants OAA and ADC	<u>1,274.40</u>
Net cost	\$1,032.95

NET EXPENSE TO THE TOWN FOR PUBLIC WELFARE FOR 1950

\$12,431.56

RECAPITULATION:

	Total Expense	Net Cost
General Relief	\$2,897.34	\$1,699.07
Aid to Dependent Children	4,417.68	1,092.34
Old Age Assistance	60,960.96	8,607.20
Administrative expense	<u>2,307.35</u>	<u>1,032.95</u>
Total	\$70,583.33	\$12,431.56

STATISTICAL REPORT:

	Gen. Relief	ADC	OAA
Number of cases Jan. 1, 1950	2	4	75
Transferred to town from other towns	0	0	4
New applications approved	10	0	8
Re-applications approved	0	0	1
Applications rejected	1	2	2
Cases closed by death	1	0	11
Transferred from town	1	1	3
Attained technical ineligibility	5	0	3
Number of persons aided during 1950	36	17	88
Number of cases aided during year	12	4	88
Number of cases December 31, 1950	5	3	71

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

Report of Veterans' Aid

The year opened and closed with no persons receiving Veterans' Benefits. The most important factor contributing to the need for Veterans' Benefits throughout the year was unemployment created by labor difficulties. Five cases were aided during the year.

The following shows the expenses and receipts for the year:

Local payments	\$189.13	
Administrative expense	55.23	
Total expense		\$244.36
Receipts, local	14.00	
State reimbursement	189.60	
Total receipts		203.60
Net Cost		\$40.76
Refund, 1949 burial	148.00	

CHARLES F. AUSTIN, *Agent*

Report of the Board of Health

The Board is pleased to report that there is a definite decrease in the contagious diseases for the year. Of the 77 reportable diseases, only 23 were contracted outside the Belchertown State School.

The health records of the town for the year 1950 show the following cases were reported:

	Town	State School
Chicken-pox	9	26
Dog-bite	11	
Dysentery		22
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	1	15
German Measles		1
Whooping-cough	6	
Measles	2	
Malaria	1	
Mumps	2	
Meningitis	1	

FRANCIS M. AUSTIN

ISAAC A. HODGEN

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

Report of Assessors

The money to pay the cost of operating the town is derived from:

1. Taxation of real estate, personal estate and polls.
2. Grants, gifts and reimbursements from the Commonwealth and Federal Governments, and from other cities and towns.
3. Receipts of departments, available funds.
4. Licenses, permits and fines.
5. Miscellaneous other sources.

The amount to be raised by taxation was determined in this way:

The amount to be raised in the fiscal year	\$228,730.49
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Other expenses for the year:

State parks and reservations	\$372.46	
State audit	934.36	1,306.82
County tax		9,963.04
Overlay of current year		3,995.29

Gross amount to be raised	\$243,995.64
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Expected revenue from the Commonwealth
and all other sources was estimated as 107,490.08

Taken from available funds	33,100.00	140,590.08
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Deducting the expected revenue from the total expected expenditures gave the sum to be raised by taxation as

\$103,405.56

Total valuation:		
Personal property		\$378,760.00
Real estate:		
Buildings	\$1,083,850.00	
Land	491,920.00	1,575,770.00
Total tax levy at \$52:		
Personal property	\$19,695.52	
Real estate	81,940.04	101,635.56
Polls (885)		1,770.00
		\$103,405.56
Added assessments:		
Real estate	\$5,765.00	\$309.78
Personal property	7,050.00	366.60

HENRY H. WITT
 FREDERICK E. LINCOLN
 GEORGE E. BOOTH
Board of Assessors

Report of Collector

Real Estate Taxes of 1950

Warrants of Assessors		\$82,239.82
Refunds		257.40
		\$82,497.22

Payments to Treasurer	\$70,340.00	
Abatements	1,053.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1950	11,104.22	82,497.22

Real Estate Taxes 1949

Outstanding January 1, 1950		\$11,060.44
Refunds		227.95
		\$11,288.39

Payments to Treasurer	\$9,417.71	
Abatements	227.95	
Outstanding December 31, 1950	1,642.73	11,288.39

Real Estate Taxes 1948

Outstanding January 1, 1950		\$1,151.03
Payments to Treasurer	\$1,106.37	
Abatements	28.21	
Outstanding December 31, 1950	16.45	1,151.03

Real Estate Taxes 1947

Outstanding January 1, 1950		\$23.89
Payments to Treasurer	\$23.89	23.89

Personal Property Taxes 1950

Warrants of Assessors		\$20,062.12
Payments to Treasurer	\$16,514.68	
Abatements	83.20	
Outstanding December 31, 1950	3,464.24	20,062.12

Personal Property Taxes 1949

Outstanding January 1, 1950		\$3,889.03
Payments to Treasurer	\$2,285.39	
Outstanding December 31, 1950	1,603.64	3,889.03

Personal Property Taxes 1948

Outstanding January 1, 1950		\$733.97
Payments to Treasurer	\$733.97	733.97

Poll Taxes 1950

Warrants of Assessors		\$1,790.00
Paid after abatement		2.00
		\$1,792.00

Payments to Treasurer	\$1,598.00	
Abatements	190.00	
Outstanding December 31, 1950	4.00	1,792.00

Poll Taxes 1949

Outstanding January 1, 1950		\$2.00
Payments to Treasurer	\$2.00	2.00

Motor Vehicle Excise 1950

Warrants of Assessors		\$19,529.92
Refunds		727.43
		\$20,257.35

Payments to Treasurer	\$17,848.77	
Abatements	1,112.37	
Outstanding December 31, 1950	1,296.21	20,257.35

Motor Vehicle Excise 1949

Outstanding January 1, 1950		\$686.07
Assessors' Warrants		143.13
Refunds		53.44

\$882.64

Payments to Treasurer	756.66	
Abatements	125.98	882.64

Sewer Charges 1950

Warrants of Selectmen		\$2,530.00
Payments to Treasurer	2,288.12	
Abatements	99.38	
Outstanding December 31, 1950	142.50	2,530.00

WILLIAM E. SHAW,
Collector of Taxes and Town Collector

Report of Town Accountant

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1950

GENERAL ACCOUNTS ASSETS

Cash

\$86,785.96

Accounts Receivable:

Taxes:

Levy of 1948, Real Estate
Levy of 1949, Real Estate
Levy of 1949, Personal Property
Levy of 1950, Real Estate
Levy of 1950, Personal Property
Levy of 1950, Polls

\$16.45
1,642.73
1,603.64
11,104.22
3,464.24
4.00

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:

Levy of 1950

1,296.21

Tax Titles

Tax Possessions

2,983.96
168.81

GENERAL ACCOUNTS LIABILITIES

Payroll Deductions for Federal Taxes

\$960.50
14.05

Dog Licenses

Trust Funds Income:

Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund

\$669.86

Calvin Bridgman Library Fund

200.00

Sale of Real Estate Fund

869.86

Impounding and Sale of Cattle

13.68

Deposit in lieu of Bond

312.00

Private Trust Accounts

50.00

Insurance Reserve Account

198.00

Hampshire County Retirement

402.99

Road Machinery Earnings

149.48

Tailings

10,551.14

School Athletic Fund

286.74

Federal Grants:

Old Age Assistance, Aid

55.20

Old Age Assistance, Administrative

671.94

Aid to Dependent Children, Aid

46.56

George Deen Fund

176.25

George Barden and Smith-Hughes Funds

10.51

110.00

1,015.26

State Aid to Highways	14,549.74	Recovery, Old Age Assistance	1,629.98
County Aid to Highways	511.47	State and County Taxes:	
		Audit, Municipal Accounts	12.01
		County Tax	558.52
Departmental:			
Highways	67.00	Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	570.53
Public Welfare	237.50	Overlays—Reserved for Abatements	6,138.73
Old Age Assistance	4,795.87	Levy of 1948	16.45
Aid to Dependent Children	474.90	Levy of 1949	3,246.37
Sewer Rentals	142.50	Levy of 1950	2,669.09
		Revenue—Reserved until Collected:	5,931.91
Dog Officer Fees:		Departmental	5,717.77
Due from County		Tax Title	3,152.77
		State and County Aid to Highways	1,030.28
		Motor Vehicle Excise	1,296.21
			11,197.03
Deficit Accounts:		Unexpended Appropriation Balances:	
State Parks and Reservations Tax	90.96	Repairs Old Town Hall	61.35
Road Machinery Expense Account	744.78	Sewers—Construction	3,374.30
		Sewers—Land Damages	876.59
		Civilian Defense	200.00
		Taking of Land, Poole Road	4.00
Post War Rehabilitation Fund Appropriations		Cleaning and Repairing of Water Holes	300.00
		Engineering Exp., New School Const.	10,965.90
Revenue 1951		Surplus Revenue	15,782.14
			92,034.22
			\$148,163.44

INDEBTEDNESS ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt

INDEBTEDNESS ACCOUNTS

Road Machinery Loan of 1947 \$1,000.00
 Road Machinery Loan of 1949 8,000.00
 Sewer Construction Loan of 1949 43,000.00
 \$52,000.00

\$52,000.00

INVESTED FUND

Invested Fund

INVESTED FUND

\$20,000.00 United States Treasury Notes \$20,000.00

\$20,000.00

POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND

Post War Rehabilitation Fund

POST WAR REHABILITATION FUND

\$597.58 Savings Bank Deposits \$597.58

\$597.58

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds and Securities

TRUST ACCOUNTS

Whiting Street Fund \$8,841.23
 Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund 3,500.00
 George D. Longley School Music Fund 2,571.79
 Calvin Bridgman High School Fund 6,866.26
 Calvin Bridgman Library Fund 4,012.00
 Willard A. Stebbins Cemetery Fence Fund 5,023.46
 Susan M. D. Bridgman Cemetery Fund 418.59
 Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds 24,196.03
 \$55,429.36

\$55,429.36

Summary of Appropriations, Expenditures, Transfers, Etc.

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expendi- tures	Unex- pended
Account	Appropriations	Transfers	Expended	Balances
Selectmen	\$1,050.00		\$996.53	\$53.47
Town Accountant	425.00		408.94	16.06
Treasurer	815.00		814.98	.02
Tax Collector	1,025.00		1,008.01	16.99
Assessors	950.00		935.98	14.02
Town Clerk	500.00		500.00	
Election and Registration	950.00		948.05	1.95
Certification of Notes	20.00			20.00
Law	150.00	237.10§	387.10	
Town Hall	800.00	81.87§	881.87	
Repairs at Old Town Hall	720.00		658.65	61.35
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00		232.95	67.05
Legion Headquarters	400.00		308.10	91.90
Police	1,000.00	197.87§	1,197.87	
Fire Department	2,300.00	271.67§	2,571.67	
Forest Fires	1,100.00		793.06	306.94
Hydrants	1,500.00		1,500.00	
Moth Suppression	600.00		599.70	.30
Dutch Elm Disease	900.00		900.00	
Tree Warden	400.00	15.20§	415.20	
Sealer of Weights and Meas.	85.00	.40§	85.40	
Inspector of Wires	50.00	49.00§	99.00	
Health	1,900.00	5.56§		
		2.45*	1,905.56	2.45
Sewers—Construction		10,685.57†	500.00††	
			6,811.27	3,374.30
Sewers—Maintenance	300.00	100.00§	388.57	11.43
Sewer System Land Damages	500.00	376.59†		876.59
Highways—Chapter 81	4,120.00	28,325.00‡	32,439.82	5.18
Highways—Chap. 90, Maint.	500.00	1,000.00‡	1,485.13	14.87
Highways—Chap. 90, Con.	2,500.00	1,985.76†		
		7,500.00†	11,984.93	.83
Highways—Snow	1,500.00		1,214.09	285.91
Highways—Streets	100.00		75.52	24.48
Highways—Sidewalks	100.00		21.73	78.27
Highways—Bridges	1,000.00	535.09§	1,535.09	

Account	Appropriation	Transfers and Additions	Expenditures	Unexpended
Road Machinery	5,000.00	21.22†		
Clean., Rep. Water Holes	200.00	113.78*	5,879.78	—744.78
Street Lights	2,072.50	100.00†		300.00
Public Welfare	4,500.00		2,040.40	32.10
Veterans' Aid	500.00		2,764.52	1,735.48
Old Age Assistance	37,500.00	14.00*	232.36	281.64
Aid Dependent Children	3,250.00	139.33*	36,671.38	967.95
Schools	102,830.00		2,066.53	1,183.47
Vocational Education	500.00		102,829.97	.03
Parsons Recreational Field	300.00		409.31	90.69
Clapp Memorial Library	700.00		197.23	102.77
Library Alterations		50.00**	746.07	3.93
Driveway Fence	200.00	363.50†	363.50	
Cemeteries	850.00		183.00	17.00
Soldiers' Graves	200.00		850.00	
Unclassified	500.00		200.00	
Reserve Fund	2,000.00	75.00§	557.00	18.00
Memorial Day	200.00		1,716.94	283.06
Armistice Day	50.00		140.66	59.34
Honor Roll	20.00		50.00	
Insurance	3,150.00	25.00§	8.65	11.35
Interest	800.00		3,018.81	156.19
Maturing Debt	3,665.00		788.75	11.25
Maturing Debt, Interest	2,085.00		3,665.00	
Town Clock	100.00		1,866.25	218.75
Public Dump	100.00		100.00	
Common	150.00		40.71	59.29
Photostats of Discharges	25.00		137.15	12.85
Summer Recreation Program	500.00	2.88§	9.00	16.00
Unpaid 1949 Bills	1,191.34		502.88	
Retirement Payments	346.15		1,191.34	
River St. Lights	55.50		346.15	
Laying Out Town Ways	100.00	116.30§	55.50	
Ethan Holden Pay't	50.00		210.00	6.30
Eng. Exp. Ele. Sch. Bldg.	11,000.00		50.00	
Civilian Defense	200.00		34.10	10,965.90
Taking Land, Poole Road	\$4.00			200.00
				4.00

†On hand Jan. 1, 1950. ‡State and County Allotments. §Reserve Fund
 *Refunds. **Transfer from Susan Bridgman Fund. ††Appropriation
 to Sewer System Land Damages.

TOWN DEBT STATEMENT

Road Machinery Loan of 1947	\$1,000.00
Registered Notes bearing interest at the rate of one and three-fourths per cent per annum and maturing \$1,000.00 annually for four years from date of issue.	
Amount payable in 1951	1,000.00
Sewer Construction Loan of 1949	43,000.00
Serial Notes bearing interest at the rate of two and one-half per cent per annum and maturing \$2,000.00 annually for 20 years from date of issue, and \$1,000 annually for five years thereafter.	
Amount payable in 1951	2,000.00
Road Machinery Loan of 1949	8,000.00
Notes bearing interest at the rate of two per cent per annum and maturing \$2,000.00 annually for five years from date of issue.	
Amount payable in 1951	2,000.00

RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS

Authorized by Finance Committee

From Reserve Fund to:

Law	\$237.10	
Old Town Hall	81.87	
Police	197.87	
Fire Department	271.67	
Tree Warden	15.20	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	.40	
Inspector of Wires	49.00	
Health	5.56	
Sewers—Maintenance	100.00	
Highways—Bridges	535.09	
Unclassified	75.00	
Insurance	25.00	
Summer Recreation Program	2.88	
Laying Out Town Ways	116.30	1,712.94

Voted by Town of Belchertown

From Reserve Fund to:

Taking of Land, Poole Road	4.00
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Total	\$1,716.94
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January 22, 1951

I certify that as Town Accountant I have examined the cash accounts and trust fund accounts of Town Treasurer William E. Shaw and have found balances sufficient to cover said accounts in cash and in bank deposits.

Ella A. Stebbins, Town Accountant

January 26, 1951

Hampshire, ss.

Then personally appeared before me, Ella A. Stebbins, Town Accountant, and made oath that the above certificate is correct.

William E. Shaw, Justice of the Peace

ELLA A. STEBBINS, *Town Accountant*

Report of Treasurer

Dr.

Cash in Treasury January 1, 1950	\$54,533.30
Receipts January 1 to December 31, 1950	328,564.31
	\$383,097.61

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Warrants of Selectmen and Town Accountant	\$296,311.65
Cash in Treasury December 31, 1950	86,785.96
	\$383,097.61

Invested Fund

United States Treasury Notes	\$20,000.00
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Post War Rehabilitation Fund

Deposits	597.58
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Trust Funds

Whiting Street Fund	\$8,841.23
Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	3,500.00
George D. Longley School Music Fund	2,571.79
Calvin Bridgman High School Fund	6,866.26
Calvin Bridgman Library Fund	4,012.00
Willard A. Stebbins Cemetery Fence Fund	5,023.46
Susan M. D. Bridgman Cemetery Fund	418.59
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	24,196.03

WILLIAM E. SHAW, *Town Treasurer*

Report of Town Clerk

Marriage intentions filed	36
Marriages recorded	53
Births recorded: 26 males, 22 females	48
Deaths recorded: 27 males, 23 females	50
Sporting licenses issued	465
Duplicate licenses issued	1
Free Sporting licenses issued	22
Gross receipts for sporting licenses	\$986.50
Dog licenses issued	427
Males	288
Females	44
Spayed	86
Kennel	8
Transfer	1
Gross receipts for dog licenses	\$1,093.25
Mortgages, Bills of Sale, etc., recorded	133

WILLIAM E. SHAW, *Town Clerk*

(see Appendix for details)

Report of Cemetery Commissioners

The Cemetery Commissioners submit the following list of expenditures from the Town Appropriation for the year 1950:

Mount Hope	\$401.00	
Evergreen	14.00	
Lake Vale	56.00	
Liberty	19.00	
South Center	130.00	
Rural	42.00	
Hillcrest	113.29	
Materials, etc.	74.71	\$850.00

The appropriation of two hundred dollars for Soldiers' Graves was spent in the various cemeteries for mowing and reseeding the graves, and repainting the emblems.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED F. DEWEY

CHARLES F. AUSTIN

Commissioners

Report of Sealer of Weights and Measures

Tested and sealed January 1, 1950—December 31, 1950:

Platform scales, 10,000 lbs. and over	2
Platform scales, 100 lbs. to 5,000 lbs.	6
Spring scales over 100 lbs.	1
Spring scales under 100 lbs.	23
Liquid measures under 1 gal.	6
Oil pumps	2
Gasoline pumps	19

I have collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer fees amounting to \$48.60.

RAYMOND C. GAY,

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Report of Tree Warden

Selectmen of Belchertown

Gentlemen:

Several large, dangerous trees were removed during the year, and trees in the Center were trimmed of dead wood and dangerous limbs. The elms were sprayed twice at a cost of \$468.60.

\$431.40 was expended for removal of 38 elms which were infected with the Dutch Elm Disease and for trimming dead wood from healthy elms.

The wind storm of November 25 and the ice storm of December 29 caused only slight tree damage, compared with some surrounding towns.

My thanks to the citizens of the town and the Board of Selectmen for their cooperation.

EDWARD B. CONKEY,

Tree Warden

Report of Fire Chief and Forest Warden

Selectmen of Belchertown

Gentlemen:

During the year ending December 31, 1950 the Fire Department has answered 67 calls:

- 23 Calls for the Emergency Truck
- 20 Forest Fires
- 21 Building Fires
- 3 Auto Fires

The buildings on which loss occurred had an assessed valuation of \$6,250. The estimated loss was \$18,450 which was covered by \$10,800 insurance, on which \$4,006.28 has been paid, with two claims yet to be settled.

The estimated loss to contents was \$7,470 which was covered by \$21,375 insurance, on which \$669.50 has been paid, with two claims yet to be settled.

Forest fires involved a total of 51 acres.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH J. KEMPKE, SR.

Acting Fire Chief and Forest Warden

Report of Inspector of Wires

Town of Belchertown

To the Board of Selectmen:

As Inspector of Electric Wires, I have in the year of 1950 inspected 33 new wiring jobs which were either wired by out of town electricians or by their owners. Three of these had to be done over, five had to have minor changes, and the balance were O. K.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY E. SESSIONS

Report of Dog Officer

*Selectmen of Belchertown
Gentlemen:*

I have picked up 32 stray dogs, found owners for 15, destroyed 16, and sold one for \$4.50, which I handed to William Shaw, Town Treasurer.

Also collected taxes on 57 dogs, 43 males, 7 females, and 7 spays, amounting to \$135.00, which I handed to William Shaw, Town Clerk.

EDWARD B. CONKEY
Dog Officer

Annual Report

OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

ORGANIZATION

School Committee

	Term Expires
E. CLIFTON WITT, Chairman	1951
MRS. FANNY G. MOREY	1952
WALTER P. PIPER (appointed September 11, 1950)	1951
ALBERT G. MARKHAM (resigned September 5, 1950)	

Superintendent of Schools and Secretary of School Committee

EDWIN A. COX, Residence, William Street, Ware, Mass.
Telephone: Ware Res., 704-R
Ware Off., 69

Administrative Assistant

CARL J. PETERSON Residence, So. Main St., Belchertown
Telephone: Belchertown Res., 3813
Belchertown Off., 3111

Secretary and Clerk

Mrs. May Rose Dewey, Residence, No. Main St., Belchertown
Telephone: Res. Belchertown, 3591

Meetings of School Committee

At 7.30 P. M. on the second Wednesday of the Month

School Nurse

MRS. MINNIE DAVIS, R. N., Res.: So. Main St., Belchertown
Telephone: Belchertown, 4051

School Physician

JAMES L. COLLARD, M. D. Res.: Maple St., Belchertown
Telephone: Belchertown, 2411

Attendance Officer

D. DONALD HAZEN Res.: Maple St., Belchertown
Telephone: Belchertown, 2031

No School Signal

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Report of School Committee

To the Citizens of Belchertown:

The past year has presented its problems to the School Committee of Belchertown. Some we were able to solve, others remain unsolved.

The matter of the closing of Liberty School, which we recommended in our last annual report, was taken up and it was decided for the best interest of all to close the school at the February vacation. The children are being transported to Franklin School.

During the summer the parapet and roof over the entrance to the Center School, which was unsafe and leaked, was repaired and the chimney rebuilt from the roof. Much needed painting and re-decorating was done at the Center, High, and Franklin Schools.

The Fall Term opened with a much larger enrollment than anticipated, consequently, our already over-crowded classrooms had to take on a heavier load. We had hoped that with a building committee appointed at the annual town meeting we could have definite plans for a new building, but another year has passed on and we are no farther along this road than twelve months ago.

We would like at this time to express our appreciation to our teachers and to Mr. Cox and Mr. Peterson for their splendid co-operation in handling this difficult situation.

We heartily hope that the day is not too far distant when more of our tax dollar can be used for the education of our youth and less for our defense which means the destruction of property and the life and health of our young manhood.

In September Mr. Markham, our Chairman, resigned because he was leaving town. Mr. Markham was an earnest worker and

had the interest of the schools at heart. The Committee were very sorry to have him leave. Mr. Piper was appointed to fill his vacancy for the remainder of the year.

We hope that before school opens next September we can find available rooms either in town or outside of town to which at least two or more classes can be transferred.

PROPOSED SCHOOL BUDGET 1951

	1950	1951
	Appropriation	Appropriation
GENERAL CONTROL		
Salaries		
(a) School Committee	\$130.00	\$130.00
(b) Superintendent	900.00	700.00
Expenses: Inc. Out-of-State-Travel		
(a) School Committee	50.00	50.00
(b) Superintendent: Travel, Telephone, Clerk, Correspondence, etc.	2,025.00	2,695.00
(c) Law Enforcement	50.00	50.00
INSTRUCTION		
Teachers' Salaries	62,285.00	69,995.00
Teachers' Expenses	385.00	385.00
Instructional Supplies and Textbooks	3,000.00	4,000.00
OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT		
Janitor Service	3,650.00	4,076.00
Expenses of Operation	1,300.00	1,300.00
Fuel	2,900.00	3,000.00
REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS	3,000.00	3,000.00
HEALTH		
School Physician	250.00	300.00
School Nurse	2,540.00	2,840.00
Supplies	35.00	50.00
TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS	16,000.00	17,400.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Cartage, express, diplomas, Ins., athletics	330.00	550.00
HOUSEHOLD ARTS	3,500.00	3,970.00

OUTLAY

New Equipment and Building Alteration	500.00	500.00
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\$102,830.00\$114,991.00

Section 10 of School Aid, Chapter 643, Acts of 1948, requires School Committees, when submitting their school budgets, to include an estimate of the following receipts:

Group A.

1. School Aid Chapter 643	\$29,207.63	
2. Transportation	13,336.00	
3. Union Superintendent reimbursement	486.23	
4. Vocational Household Arts	1,548.08	44,577.94

Group B.

1. Tuition and Trans. of State Wards	12,593.25	
2. Smith Hughes Fund	104.33	
3. George Barden Fund	100.00	12,797.58

\$57,375.52

Total to be expended for support of schools \$114,991.00

Minus: Group A. Receipts \$44,577.94

Group B. Receipts 12,797.58 57,375.52

Approximate amount to be raised by local taxation \$57,615.48

Respectfully submitted,

E. CLIFTON WITT

FANNY G. MOREY

WALTER P. PIPER

School Committee

Report of Superintendent of Schools

Members of the School Committee and Citizens of Belchertown:

I am submitting herewith my third annual report on the Belchertown Public Schools.

The children of Belchertown are facing a tremendously complex world. It is a world torn with conflict, confused by misunderstanding, and threatened with chaos. The best possible education will be necessary to enable our children to achieve peace and happiness in their generation. In order to make this possible, we have a solemn obligation to fulfill. We must provide the best education possible within our means. We must always realize that the clear goal before us is to provide better and better education.

The need for a new school building increases daily. We must build now—just as soon as possible. It is not possible to put the children of school age in cold storage to wait a better day in which to build. We cannot build a better Belchertown by waiting for a tomorrow to build the facilities which are needed now.

Today every building with the exception of Franklin School is greatly overcrowded. At the October 1st census there were 211 pupils in the Center School. This building was intended to house 120-150 pupils. Grades 6, 7, and 8 are now housed in the High School Building. The total program suffers considerably, due to the overcrowded conditions and the utter lack of the proper space necessary for good teaching. Classes are being held in the Auditorium as well as the basement recreation room.

Union School is feeling growing pains with an enrollment of 37 pupils crowded into the single classroom. Good teaching results

are not synonymous with overcrowded conditions. The teachers certainly should receive your sincere praise for doing such an excellent job under trying and adverse conditions.

In the field of curriculum development and revision, some progress has been made. Several meetings have been held during the past year with particular emphasis given to the study of reading and arithmetic. Several outside speakers have been invited in to present up-to-date information and submit material pertinent to the subjects. As a result a new arithmetic text book series was adopted this year.

All the teachers are conscientiously working for better curriculum practices. The curriculum issues in the schools of today must be constantly re-examined. All of the thought and work devoted to the study by our teachers add up to the fact that they are making important contributions to the total development of our children.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Due to the increasing enrollment in grades 7 and 8 and in the High School, it was necessary to hire two additional teachers in the High School Building, and also to hire a teacher to replace Miss Lillian Vatousiou, who resigned to accept a position elsewhere.

Mr. Robert Diamond, who received his B. A. and M. S. degrees at the University of Massachusetts, was appointed as a teacher of Mathematics and Science at the senior high school level.

Mr. Donald E. Geer, who received his B. S. degree at the University of Massachusetts and who has done graduate work at that Institution, was appointed as teacher of Mathematics and Science in grades 7 and 8.

Mr. Ronald E. Susee, who received his B. S. degree at the University of Maine, was appointed teacher of Social Studies for grades 7 and 8.

Mrs. Marion K. Shaw, teacher of grade 5 and Assistant Principal at the Center School, was granted a year's leave of ab-

sence, due to ill health. Mr. Gilbert Carlson, who received his B. S. degree at the University of Maine and is doing graduate work in Education at Boston University, was hired to fill the vacancy.

When Liberty School was closed in February, Mrs. Blanche Austin was transferred to Union School to assist in that building until the end of the school year in June.

Mr. Charles Corry resigned in September as janitor at the Household Arts Department and assistant janitor at the High School Building, and was replaced by Mr. William Kimball, Jr.

HOUSEHOLD ARTS—EVENING PRACTICAL ARTS PROGRAM

In the teacher's report of the Vocational Household Arts Department, mention is made of the new facilities in the Clapp Memorial Library for that program. These facilities have also been used for the Evening Practical Arts Program. During the spring months a Hooked Rug Class was held under the direction of Mrs. Ethel Collis. The demand for the continuation of this program was so great that at the present time a class in Hooked Rug Making is under the direction of Mrs. Ethel Collis, and Mrs. Ruth Kempkes is an instructor in the beginners' Dressmaking Class. The success of the Evening Practical Arts Program will partly depend upon the willingness of those who register in these classes to attend class meetings faithfully. The cost of this program is being defrayed partly by Federal Funds and any local fund expended is reimbursed 50% by the Commonwealth.

REPAIRS

The major project of the year was the repair to the chimney and the renovation to the front entrance at the Center School. The exposed portion of the chimney was thoroughly checked and mended and a considerable portion was removed and completely rebuilt with new brick. These repairs removed a very hazardous condition. The parapet was removed, new doors installed and the roof over the entrance redesigned and built to conform with the necessary changes.

Inspection of the boilers in June revealed the necessity for immediate repairs to some of the major valves on the High School boiler. This situation and some minor changes at the Center School boiler were remedied in order to have the equipment properly certified.

When the Household Arts Department was moved to the Library Building, the room formerly used for this purpose at the High School was converted into a regular classroom to be used by Grade VI. A new asphalt tile floor was installed, fluorescent lights were installed and the room was redecorated in accordance with present day standards. When the class, under the direction of Mrs. Lambert, their teacher, moved into this classroom, the pupils signified in a letter to the School Committee their expression of appreciation.

All of the exposed woodwork at the Center, High and Franklin School Buildings were given a second coat of paint and two classrooms at Center were redecorated.

In cooperation with the Selectmen and with the use of town equipment, a new driveway was opened into the High School grounds. This has facilitated greatly the movement of school buses. The Selectmen also have erected a chain link fence to extend the existing fence the whole distance of the school back yard.

CONCLUSION

I am cognizant of the fact that I have not followed the precedence of previous years and enumerated a list of specific recommendations. In reviewing my predecessors' and my own reports for the past years, I am aware that there are many goals that we have not yet been able to achieve.

In these uncertain and troubled times, I feel that it may be best during the coming year to re-examine these previous recommendations, measure our progress, and seek the complete solution for many of the things we have set out to do.

Until there is sufficient classroom space, it is going to be necessary to ask the continued cooperation and indulgence of parents and staff as temporary and sometimes not wholly satisfactory ar-

rangements are made to provide space for our pupils. It must be borne in mind that there is a great difference between what constitutes sitting or standing space and educational space for each child.

I trust that I will experience in the future the same spirit of friendliness and cooperation from the townspeople and the members of the staff that I have had during the past three years.

The School Committee have been most considerate in the spirit in which they have worked with me. I appreciate their confidence in me and I have enjoyed the friendliness that has been evident at our meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN A. COX,

Superintendent of Schools

Report of High School Principal

Mr. Edwin A. Cox,
Superintendent of Schools:

My annual report as Principal of Belchertown High School is herewith submitted.

The enrollment in September, 1950, was:

	Boys	Girls	Totals
Seniors	14	22	36
Juniors	12	10	22
Sophomores	13	17	30
Freshmen	30	17	47
	—	—	—
	69	66	135
Eighth Grade	27	25	52
Seventh Grade	30	18	48
Sixth Grade	18	17	35
	—	—	—
	144	126	270

The graduating class of 1950 was the largest for many years. Fifteen girls and fourteen boys received diplomas. Of these graduates, Richard Hazen is a freshman at Harvard University; Robert Hodgen and Barbara Young are attending the University of Massachusetts and Jean Squires is studying at the Stockbridge School of Agriculture at that institution; Frank Wezniak is a freshman at Brown University; Evans Westwell is enrolled at Carroll College, Helena, Montana; Agnes Fitzgerald is enrolled at the Framingham Teachers College; Hazel Morey is attending

Mount Ida Junior College, Newton Centre; Janet Calder is enrolled at the Salter Secretarial School, Worcester; Gloria Wildey is studying at the Charles F. Gaugh School of Business, Springfield; Lloyd Chadbourne is enrolled at the Eastern School of Photography, Boston; Susan Squires is in training at Westfield State Sanatorium and Alicia Whittaker is a student nurse at Springfield Hospital; the twins, James Dearness and John Dearness are in the U. S. Navy; Mary Adzima, Claudia Evanson, and Joyce Fleurent are married; Jack Gray has a position with the Sears, Roebuck Company; Donald Cole is working at Belchertown Farms; Richard Cook is employed at Monsanto; Charles Gill is employed at the Belchertown Pharmacy; Alice Heath has employment at Gold's; Barbara Medrek is working at Chicopee Casual; Eugene Olson works at Markert's Orchards, Amherst; Lorraine Puta has employment at Tampax; Albert Rhodes is working at the Belchertown Market; Stanley Rhodes has a position at Rathbone Corporation, Palmer; and Blanche Horr is living in Amherst.

At the beginning of the current school year, three new teachers were necessary to fill vacancies of the teaching staff. In spite of the fact that there is still a critical shortage of teaching personnel in the elementary and in certain departments of the secondary field, we were fortunate in having secured the services of Mr. Robert Diamond for classes of the high school level and in grades seven and eight Mr. Donald Geer for science and mathematics and Mr. Ronald Susee for the social sciences.

In order that a better understanding of the different subjects offered in the high school might be obtained, each teacher has outlined the aims and objectives of the courses under their instruction. To list all these summaries here would make this report too long, therefore, only the aims and objectives of the social studies courses and the driver education program follow.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Since the boys and girls in our High School will, in a few short years, be the responsible leaders in our local community,

and in addition will be doing their part in shaping the policies of our country, both in its internal activities and in its foreign relations, the Social Studies Department of the High School is attempting to do its part in their development to adequately and fairly meet these responsibilities.

Three ideals may be said to be the basic foundation of the teaching in the Social Studies: (1) Ideals of Democracy, (2) The American Way of Life and (3) Civic Responsibility.

In carrying out this program, the 9th Grade pupils are given an introductory course in the ways of government in our local communities, state and nation. This study occupies one half of the year while the other half of the year is given over to a study of "Occupations." By giving these introductory courses in the Freshman Year, it is hoped the boys and girls will receive a foundation for planning the rest of their high school life with their own adult life in mind.

In the second year, a course in World History aims to acquaint the pupils with the growth and development (and sometimes the downfall) of other nations of the world. An attempt is made to compare the aims and ideals of these other countries with those of our country, in order to create an understanding of the national attitudes in the world that have succeeded or failed.

The third year is occupied with a study of our own American History. Here a knowledge of the Constitution of United States, begun in the 9th Grade, is emphasized. Other topics stressed are the many problems that have faced our nation in its growth, such as: tariff policy, banking problems, internal development and foreign policy, and the manner in which these problems have been faced and solved.

The Seniors are given a course in "Problems of Democracy," where the outgoing graduating class have brought to their attention as many of the problems they will face in adult life as is possible. An attempt is made to train them to think through the matters that will meet them as individuals and voting citizens.

Throughout the four years, at least one day a week in some

classes, and daily comment in others is given over to the Current Events of the day. In some classes, the pupils subscribe for a weekly newspaper prepared for High School students, which is used as a basis for the discussions. In others, use is made of "The Weekly News Map" and "United Nations Graphs," provided by the school department. In all classes, listening to daily news comments and reading of the local daily newspapers is stressed. In these matters, parents can be of invaluable help by discussing with their children the daily news reports.

The School Department has provided excellent maps for the use of the Social Studies Department. There is, however, a need for more supplementary library books for use, especially of the Senior Class in their study of current problems. A subscription to one or two magazines dealing with geographic and historical matter would also be of value.

DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM

At least three out of five high school students will be driving before they are twenty-five. (75 or 80 of our students) The accident rates for the 16-25 year age group are several times higher than that of any other age group. Why? The adolescent period and the one immediately following are ones of unnecessary risk taking.

Annually 32,000 people are killed on the highways. Accidents cost \$3,000,000,000. Who pays? Who sets the insurance rates? The drivers themselves and their parents.

From this introduction you should see that any Driver Education program is designed to meet a sociological need of the 20th century.

Think of it as a course designed to teach the intelligent use of power.

This is a safety course. A course which will be used by a large percentage of the students. Especially in these times when the Armed Services will need many skilled drivers. Do not look at it as a course where the student gets his license. The course is designed to develop a good citizen driver, to teach and develop safe

drivers and walkers. This end can be attained by knowing safety and by developing proper attitudes. Skill and knowledge alone are not determinants of safety but good attitudes are.

With some technical knowledge of the vehicle, with certain rules and driving skills and especially with proper attitudes the new driver will be courteous, safe, skillful—drivers whose value to the community cannot be measured in mere dollars and cents.

The usual activities of the school—Senior class trip, field trips, contests, hobby show, the open house of American Education Week, attendance at Boys' and Girls' State, and Good Government Day program have come in their natural sequence. Richard Hazen was the first representative of our school at the Good Government Day exercises in Boston.

A very successful basketball season was climaxed with the winning of the Tri-State Tournament at Orange. This was the first tournament win for Belchertown High School and Coach Chester B. Eisold and the members of the team should be highly complimented. We are very grateful to Dr. Francis Austin, Roy Shaw, the Lions Club, and the American Legion for their banquets and donations.

The Iowa tests of Educational Development were given in September to pupils of grades 9-12. These tests serve to indicate how much the pupils know about their subjects and how adequate a background they have for their studies, or how much skill they have already acquired in them. The tests point out how much pupils differ in their ability to learn, and, particularly, in their ability to use the instructional materials at their disposal. The test results assist in guidance work by revealing how much aptitude the pupils possess for scholastic work in general, as well as the broad areas or types of scholastic work in which they are most likely to succeed.

Representatives from the Ware Office of the Division of Employment Security have had personal interviews with, and administered aptitude tests to all the seniors. This service should be of assistance to pupils in making decisions concerning their educational and vocational careers.

In conclusion, I wish to express to the members of the school committee and townspeople and the administrative staff my appreciation of the support which has been given the school during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) GUY E. HARRINGTON

Principal of the High School

Report of Household Arts Supervisor

Mr. Edwin A. Cox

Superintendent of Schools

Dear Mr. Cox:

When the Annual Reports were printed last year, the Household Arts Department was in the process of being transferred from the High School building to the new and larger room in the basement of Clapp Memorial Library. So for a year, we have been enjoying our new quarters, which are ideal and very much the pride and joy of both pupils and teacher. There are still many parents and other adults, who have not yet seen the new room. They would be most welcome visitors at any time.

The fact that the room is being used during out-of-school hours for adult education and other community purposes is very encouraging, too. I like to feel that school equipment can be useful to the taxpayers, whose generosity has helped to provide it.

At present, there are nine Sophomores, nine Freshmen, and twenty-five Eighth Grade girls enrolled in Household Arts courses. This total of thirty-three is six fewer than a year ago. Because the space and equipment are not adequate to provide for twenty-five pupils in one class, the Eighth Grade has had to be separated into two divisions. This is unfortunate, as each girl has only two periods weekly instead of the customary four.

The object of the Eighth Grade course is to teach the girls as many of the fundamentals of cooking and sewing as time provides. As soon as they have completed their aprons and caps,

they start classes in cooking, where they prepare breakfast dishes and hot breads, and learn something of nutrition, care of food, and so on.

The Freshmen review and enlarge upon breakfast planning and serving, after which they study luncheon planning, preparation and serving. In sewing, they work with cottons and corduroy to make dresses, blouses, pajamas and skirts. This year, the Freshman girls have been largely responsible for making the draperies, which have added so much to the beauty of the new room. They were also hostesses to the Eighth Grade girls at a Household Arts party during the Christmas season this year.

Well-balanced and nutritionally adequate menus are planned and prepared by the Sophomore girls. They also take up Home Nursing, under Mrs. Davis, the school nurse. This year, more time is being spent on Family and Home Management units, and we are adding a unit on Child Care and Infant Feeding. In sewing, more advanced pupils are getting a bit of tailoring through making suits. All girls are learning to make woolen garments.

It is always the plan of this department to work closely with the homes of the pupils. One of my greatest satisfactions is to learn that girls are putting into practice at home the theories and skills learned in the class-room, and we welcome the opportunity to discuss problems sent to us from the parents.

The Sophomore girls had a field trip last spring to the Springfield Trade High School where, as always, they were graciously received and guided through the many departments. Luncheon was served them in the delightful Tea Room overlooking the grounds. Several girls were especially interested in the new courses for Medical and Dental Assistants. One of our girls has already enrolled for entrance to Trade High in September, following her graduation from B. H. S. There have been other valuable field trips.

A year ago I expressed regret that Belchertown has been unable to provide a lunch program for the boys and girls, most of

whom travel by bus and are in danger of inadequate nutrition because of the long interval between a hurried breakfast and the evening meal. The need of such a program was emphasized when the small hot lunch program provided by this department for many years was discontinued in 1949. It is my sincere hope that the coming year may see at least a start made in the plans for meeting a need recognized all over the nation as one which every community should fill.

I often wonder why Household Arts does not find a place on the program of practically every high-school girl, instead of being restricted after Eighth Grade to those enrolled in courses which do not lead to college. Almost all girls become home-makers, regardless of the profession, business, or other future they may be planning while in high school. The unstated but nevertheless practiced theory that French and algebra are incompatible with sewing and cooking seems hardly tenable in view of the career which such an overwhelming majority of our girls find themselves engaged in very shortly after graduation. I believe all girls can profit by courses in home-making and that it should be possible for all girls to make such courses a part of any high-school program, college preparatory or general.

Our expressed gratitude to the School Department and to the whole staff for their consideration and cooperativeness is much more than an annual gesture to close an annual report. Few Household Arts Departments are so fortunate in having their needs so promptly recognized and met. It is always a pleasure to work with those who are so understanding and generous. We only hope that we may be called upon to help in every way possible to further the happiness and usefulness of all the girls who come to us for instruction and training in maintaining and improving the American home.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE JACKSON

Report of School Nurse

Mr. Edwin A. Cox

Superintendent of Schools

Dear Mr. Cox:

With pleasure I submit my sixth annual report as School Nurse in the Belchertown Schools.

There are five major elements in a well-rounded school health program: the first is the provision for a safe and healthy environment both in the classroom and on the playground; second is the protection of the child's emotional and mental well-being; third is the health instruction program; fourth, a program of physical education and recreation aimed toward good physical and mental health.

The fifth major element is "Health Service". This service comprises all those procedures designed to determine the health status of the child, to enlist his cooperation in health protection and maintenance, to inform parents of the defects that may be present, to prevent disease, and to correct remediable defects. A great deal of time has been given to this particular phase of work. As in previous years, the school children have been weighed and measured, given physical examinations by Dr. James L. Collard, vision and hearing tests and health inspections. All defects have been referred to the parent.

A Tuberculosis Clinic was held at Memorial Hall in February for all high school pupils whose parents requested this test. Dr. Francis O'Brien, Superintendent of Leeds Sanitarium gave the Mantoux Skin test. I am sorry to say the response was not 100%.

However, the majority of parents did take advantage of this opportunity. Only one pupil proved a positive reactor. This pupil was X-rayed and found to be negative. I feel that it was a good report for our high school students.

During the month of August, two girls attended Camp Hodgkins. This camp is sponsored by the Hampshire County Tuberculosis Association for children 8-13 years old who are tuberculosis contacts, underweight, or physically under par.

The Lions Club purchased and presented to the School Committee, the Massachusetts Vision Testing Kit. I have mentioned before, the great need of having this equipment available during the school year and feel that the Club should receive much praise for their interest in this field.

Last spring a booklet entitled "Off to School", was prepared by Mrs. John Webber, teacher at the Center School, and myself. This booklet was given to parents of children entering the first grade in the Fall. The objective was to help parents prepare their child for a happy and profitable school experience. This booklet will be revised this year.

Last winter I attended a course, "New Developments in Medical Science", given under the direction of the University Extension, Massachusetts Department of Education, and in August, a refresher course in "Red Cross Home Nursing". I am now taking a course in "Pediatrics-Child Psychology", given by Boston College.

My sincere thanks to the Lions Club, American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, Grange, Firemen, and interested people, who so generously gave money to purchase Christmas dinners, gifts and clothing for some of our less fortunate children. This cooperation and helpfulness exemplifies the American spirit of neighborliness.

Respectfully submitted,
MINNIE N. DAVIS, R. N.

Report of Supervisor of Music

Mr. Edwin A. Cox

Superintendent of Schools

Dear Mr. Cox:

It gives me great pleasure to present herewith my second annual report as music supervisor in the Belchertown Public Schools.

I am glad to report progress in all branches of my work and it was very gratifying to me to have had a chance to demonstrate in public, at various times, some of the results obtained. We had a chorus of some seventy voices from grades five and six that sang three numbers in three parts at the Western Massachusetts Music Festival in Northampton. This same group sang at the Brownies program in Belchertown and during the Liberty Bell exercises. It should be borne in mind that these songs are not merely *learned* by the pupils but that the technical matters of both time and pitch are understood by every pupil. At the Liberty Bell program the High School chorus sang two songs and the rhythm band from grades one and two at Franklin School played with Barbara Stefanowitz, grade two, as director. At the High School the chorus has steadily developed and at graduation we used the Fred War-ing arrangement of "Onward Christian Soldiers".

In the lower grades much time was spent with rote singing, motion songs, folk dances, tone drills, rhythm and note reading.

In order to make music reading a definite and lasting capacity, the same program of problem study and application as followed in the lower grades must be repeated in the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades, the work being readjusted to the greater mental

maturity of older pupils. This readjustment is brought about through the greater technical difficulty of the songs and their broader musical content.

All of the pupils in grade four at the Center School; grades three through six at Franklin School, and grade four at Union are learning to play tonettes. This is a pre-band instrument.

In closing, I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the School Committee, Mr. Cox, Mr. Peterson, Mr. Harrington, Principal of High School, Mrs. Shaw, my pianist, to each individual teacher and to parents and pupils for the loyal support and hearty co-operation which has ever been extended to me in the two years I have been connected with the Belchertown School Department.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARA P. COOK, *Supervisor of Music*

School Financial Report

CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOL EXPENDITURES

GENERAL CONTROL

School Committee		
Salaries	\$130.00	
Expenses	30.08	160.08
Superintendent of Schools		
Salary	619.98	
Expenses—including in and out-of-state travel, clerk, postage, stationery and telephone	2,071.54	
Law Enforcement	20.79	2,712.31

INSTRUCTION

Teachers' Salaries	61,928.26	
Teachers' Expense	333.55	
Instructional Supplies	3,232.73	65,494.54

OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT

Janitor Service	3,429.43	
Operation of Expense: Supplies, telephone, electricity	1,363.40	
Fuel	2,593.99	7,386.82

MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT

Repairs and Replacements	3,914.39	3,914.39
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AUXILIARY AGENCIES

Promotion of Health	2,819.60	
Transportation of Pupils	16,256.00	

Miscellaneous	330.44	19,406.04
CAPITAL OUTLAY		
Building Alteration and New Equipment	535.48	535.48
HOUSEHOLD ARTS	3,220.31	3,220.31
Total Expenditure from Appropriation		\$102,829.97
From Special Funds:		
George Barden	100.00	
Smith-Hughes	104.33	204.33
TOTAL COST OF SCHOOLS		\$103,034.30
RECEIPTS		
Appropriation	\$102,830.00	
Available Funds	204.33	103,034.33
BALANCE RETURNED TO TOWN		.03
RECEIPTS—Paid to the Town of Belchertown from other sources than local taxation:		
Department of Public Welfare, State		
Wards	12,593.25	
School Aid (Chapter 643)	27,770.13	
Transportation	13,336.00	
Union Superintendent reimbursement	486.23	
Vocational Household Arts	1,548.08	55,733.69
RECAPITULATION		
Total cost of Schools		\$103,034.30
Reimbursement from State	55,733.69	
Used from Available Funds	204.33	55,938.02
ACTUAL COST to Town of Belchertown for 1950		\$47,096.28
In 1949 Actual Cost to Town of Belchertown was		45,380.46
In 1948 Actual Cost to Town of Belchertown was		48,126.94
In 1947 Actual Cost to Town of Belchertown was		42,527.60
In 1946 Actual Cost to Town of Belchertown was		40,475.00

ENROLLMENT AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1950

SCHOOL	GRADES												TOTALS
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Center	52	49	45	40	33	35	48	52					354
Franklin	15	13	19	16	14	9							86
Union	8	11	11	4									34
High School									47	30	22	36	135
	75	73	75	60	47	44	48	52	47	30	22	36	609

School Calendar

1951

January 2, Schools open
 February 23-March 5, Winter Vacation
 April 27-May 7, Spring Vacation
 June 14, Elementary Schools close
 June 22, High School closes
 September 4, Schools open

HOLIDAYS

February 22, Washington's Birthday
 March 23, Good Friday
 April 19, Patriots' Day
 May 30, Memorial Day
 October 12, Columbus Day
 November 12, Armistice Day
 November 28 noon through November 30, Thanksgiving Recess
 December 21, Christmas Vacation

Commencement

OF THE

BELCHERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL

June 22

1950

Lawrence Memorial Hall

8:00 P. M.

Graduates

Mary Josephine Adzima	Blanche Alene Horr
Janet Calder	Barbara Mary Medrek
Lloyd Collis Chadbourne, Jr.	Hazel Jean Morey
Donald Sanderson Cole	Eugene David Olson
Richard Kenneth Cook	Lorraine Frances Puta
James Lincoln Dearness, Jr.	Lawrence Albert Rhodes
John Leonard Dearness	Stanley Fisher Rhodes, Jr.
Claudia Rose Evanson	Jean Ann Squires
Agnes Jean Fitzgerald	Susan Squires
Joyce Lorraine Fleurent	Arthur Evans Westwell, Jr.
Charles Henry Gill	Frank John Wezniak
John Walter Gray	Alicia Barbara Whittaker
Donald Richard Hazen	Gloria Phyllis Wildey
Alice Lila Heath	Barbara Kathleen Young
Robert Trudel Hodgen	

Program

Processional		Madeline Fitzgerald Accompanist
Invocation		Reverend Joseph T. Collins
Song	The Lord's Prayer Girls' Chorus	<i>J. C. Weklfeil</i>
Salutatory		Robert Trudel Hodgen
Songs	Yo Ho ! For the Rolling Sea Boys' Chorus The Challenge of Youth Chorus	<i>Geoffrey O' Hara</i> <i>R. W. Gibb</i>
Valedictory		Donald Richard Hazen
Songs	Rolling Home Boys' Chorus The World is Waiting for the Sunrise Seniors	<i>Sea Chauten and Pauline Window</i> <i>Words, Lockhart</i> <i>Music, Ernest Seitz</i>
Remarks		Edwin A. Cox Superintendent
Emory F. Munsell Award		
Presentation of Class to School Committee		Guy E. Harrington Principal of High School
Awarding of Diplomas		Mr. Albert Markham Chairman School Committee
Song	Onward Christian Soldiers Chorus	<i>Arr. Fred Waring</i>
Benediction		Reverend Joseph T. Collins
	Songs directed by Mrs. Clara P. Cook Accompanist, Mrs. William E. Shaw	

RECEPTION

SCHOOL PERSONNEL AS OF JAN. 1, 1951

Name	Position	Year Appointed
Edwin A. Cox	Superintendent	1948
Carl J. Peterson	Administrative Assistant	1937
Clara M. Cook	Music Supervisor	1948
Minnie N. Davis, R. N.	School Nurse	1945
HIGH SCHOOL		
Guy E. Harrington	Principal High School and 6-7-8 Grades	1943
Elwyn J. Doubleday	Assistant Principal, Science	1947
Robert E. Diamond	Mathematics, Science	1950
John J. Connolly	Commercial Subjects	1949
Chester B. Eisold	Mathematics, Social Science	1948
Nancy Lee Hudson	English and French	1949
Sophia M. Pero	Latin and English	1941
Ada W. Tague	Social Studies	1946
Florence Jackson	Household Arts, Science	1946
Bernadette Bowler	Grades 7—, Language, Arts and Mathematics	1942
Donald E. Geer	Grades 7-8, Mathematics and Science	1950
Ronald E. Susee	Grades 7-8, Social Studies	1950
Madeleine R. Lambert	Grade 6	1924

CENTER SCHOOL

Alice Flaherty	Grade 3, and Assistant Principal	1922
Irene B. Orlando	Grade 1	1917
Elaine M. Webber	Grades 1 and 2	1949
Mildred Robbins	Grade 2	1948
Vera Harrington	Grade 4	1944
Gilbert Carlson	Grade 5	1950
Marion K. Shaw	(Leave of Absence)	1926

FRANKLIN SCHOOL

Eleanor Fitzgerald	Grades 1 and 2, and Principal	1931
Nellie G. Shea	Grades 3 and 4	1901
Mildred Carter	Grades 5 and 6	1943

UNION SCHOOL

Emma Loftus	Grades 1-4	1948
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EVENING PRACTICAL ARTS

Ethel Collis	Hooked Rug	1949
Ruth Kempkes	Dressmaking	1950

CUSTODIANS

George M. Dewey	High School and Center	1947
William Kimball	Household Arts and Assistant at High	1950
Albert Dudek	Franklin School	1948
Richard Lancey	Union School	1948

Report of Summer Recreation Committee

To the Citizens of Belchertown:

Another successful and beneficial recreational program for the children of the town during the vacation period was held. Mr. Robert Hamlin of Springfield College was employed as Director for a period of seven weeks.

With the help of two local girls and the volunteer assistance of interested parents and friends, he provided and carried through an interesting as well as educational program for those able to attend.

The Director's report will be published when received.

We recommend to the Town the continued support of this project.

ISAAC A. HODGEN
WILLARD H. YOUNG
E. CLIFTON WITT

Report of Old Town Hall Committee

To the Citizens of Belchertown:

Continued constant use of the facilities offered by the Old Town Hall, not only by the School Department, but also by various groups interested in sports, justifies the expenditure of funds for its upkeep.

A portion of the roof was replaced after the Thanksgiving storm, and the installation of tile linings to the shower stalls has not only improved the appearance, but has prevented any further deterioration.

As has been stated before, the building is available to all. However, the Committee feels that proper supervision must be in attendance, that over-enthusiastic youth does not get out of bounds.

The Town may feel proud of this advantage maintained by the taxpayer and although the fruits are unseen, we know that they exist.

ISAAC A. HODGEN
WILLARD H. YOUNG
E. CLIFTON WITT

Report of Chief of Police

To the Board of Selectmen

Belchertown, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Following is a list of the number of arrests for crimes for the year ending Dec. 31, 1950:

Assault	6
Assault with a dangerous weapon	2
Allowing an improper person to operate a Motor Vehicle	1
Breaking and entering and larceny	17
Larceny	1
Larceny of an automobile	1
Using a motor vehicle without authority	1
Driving after license suspended or revoked	6
Driving without authority	1
Operating without insurance coverage	4
Operating with no registration	3
Using plates belonging to another vehicle	1
Disturbing the peace	1
Driving to endanger	3
Driving under the influence of liquor	8
Drunkenness	20
Violating the game laws	2
Violating motor vehicle excise laws	11
Non-support	1

Violating traffic rules	2
Vagrants	1
Cattle trespass	9
Assault to murder	1
Larceny in a building	2
Total	105

Numerous traffic accidents were covered, and several investigations were made.

The Town Beach used for swimming was policed and traffic supervised.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK L. GOLD

Chief of Police

Appendix

Statistical Report of Town Clerk

BIRTHS RECORDED 1950

Date	Name	Parents
January		
8	Susan Jean Ayers	Charles E. and Bernice Braden Ayers
15	Louise Ellen Barry	William P. and Alberta Hauschild Barry
22	Katherine Anne Sweeney	William D. and Anne Baker Sweeney
30	Joan Constance Ellery	Carl F. and Virginia Taxiera Ellery
31	Marie Ann Malmstedt	William R. and Frances Duc Malmstedt
February		
2	Walter Henry White	Robert A. and Grace Dodge White
8	William Wallace McLaren	William A. and Viola Downing McLaren
16	Christopher Galica	Stanley S. and Frances Romaniak Galica
March		
3	Belinda Mae Johnson	Robert E. and Barbara Skidmore Johnson
10	Lynn Ann Moore	Walter H., Jr. and Shirley Batchelder Moore
12	Martha Jane Henneman	Arthur F. and June Sanford Henneman

APPENDIX

April

- 11 Linda Ann Gay Royal K. and Jessie Chadbourne Gay
12 Janet Elaine Isaac William E. and Evelyn Rogers Isaac
14 Lloyd Bertram Butler
 Bertram R. and Evelyn Stone Butler
17 Daniel Henry Nadeau
 Joseph P. and Teresa Martin Nadeau
27 Philip Kenneth Jenks
 Lawrence E. and Isabel Kettell Jenks

May

- 3 Marguerite Judith Brennen
 Arthur H. and Dorothy McKillop Brennen
4 Gary George Gay Ernest M. and Loretta Murry Gay
31 Carl Douglas Powers
 James R. and Jean S. McKenna Powers

June

- 7 (Male) Hussey Julian H. and Jean Lofland Hussey
15 Walter Edwin Bosworth
 Melvin E. and Christine A. Squires Bosworth
19 William Alan Dube
 Edward L. and Genevieve Phoenix Dube

July

- 7 Dianne Alice Lepine Oliva and Aldora Petrin Lepine
16 Mark Andrew Barrett
 Warren P. and Louise M. Joyal Barrett
31 Gay Lorna Ross George W. and Marjorie Bean Ross
31 John Edward Fiege
 Herbert R. and Rachel E. Fuller Fiege

August

- 5 Kevin Roy Brown Kenneth R. and Venna Lafond Brown

APPENDIX

- 14 Anthony Francis Hoydilla
Stephen A. and Isabelle Dacey Hoydilla

- 26 Gregory Scyocurka
Stephen and Josephine B. Pabis Scyocurka

September

- 8 Linda Lagrant Raymond P. and Bernice I. Krol Lagrant
18 Arlene Louise Lortie Paul E. and Marion L. Demers Lortie
26 James Lawrence Lovett
Lawrence W. and June P. Joyce Lovett
28 Raymond Arthur Labrecque
Doris L. and Laura E. Story Labrecque

October

- 6 Donald Earl Gray Earl D. and Marion Newsome Gray
12 Douglas Paul Fiske Charles C. and Beverly Smith Fiske
12 David Elwyn Bock Elwyn H. and Nancy E. Tilton Bock
19 Edward Joseph Zawistowski
Edward and Doris C. Brunelle Zawistowski

November

- 6 Ruth Ann Fecteau
Edward E. and Eleanor R. Gillis Fecteau
12 Gail Lee Capen Leon G. and Helen Vaughan Capen
15 Cynthia Frances Owen
Elmer B. and Dorothy A. Riggins Owen
18 Robert John Forest
Fernando J. and Ida Y. St. Sauveur Forest
18 Elizabeth Kay Crimmins
Stephen F. and Josephine P. Sawicki Crimmins
29 Cynthia Lois Eaton
James W. and Carol A. McCallum Eaton

December

- 7 Mark Bouchie George E. and Joan A. Gagnier Bouchie

APPENDIX

- 13 Louise Margaret Austin
Louis J. and Lillian C. Riel Austin
- 13 Owen Frederick F. and Edythe Brown Owen
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MARRIAGES RECORDED 1950

January

- 14 Andrew Weneczek, Amherst, Mass.
Staphanie O. Starsiak, Palmer, Mass.

February

- 7 A. Richmond Walker, Ware, Mass.
Dorothy I. Peeso, Belchertown, Mass.
- 11 Earl Leander Plant, Belchertown, Mass.
Elinor Gertrude Heath, Belchertown, Mass.
- 11 Chester J. Mercik, Saundersville, Mass.
Alice H. Wadas, Palmer, Mass.
- 19 Edward S. Gula, Palmer, Mass.
Alice C. Nikodem, Palmer, Mass.

April

- 7 Richard W. Lofand, Belchertown, Mass.
Mable J. Tucker, Belchertown, Mass.
- 9 David M. Noga, Palmer, Mass.
Sophie Julia Kulig, Belchertown, Mass.
- 11 John Lawrence Dwyer, Amherst, Mass.
Louise O. Howland, Belchertown, Mass.
- 15 John J. Kopacz, Belchertown, Mass.
Julia M. Bielecki, Springfield, Mass.
- 15 Chester J. Jambora, Palmer, Mass.
Mary T. Petraszewicz, Palmer, Mass.

APPENDIX

- 29 Robert Marcel Ritter, Belchertown, Mass.
Margaret Ann Hill, Chicopee, Mass.
- 29 Donald Lee Fay, Belchertown, Mass.
Nora G. Andrews, Holyoke, Mass.

May

- 6 Anthony Kuzmick, Ware, Mass.
Matilda M. Tobiasz, Palmer, Mass.
- 8 Guy Lamson, Belchertown, Mass.
Ellen Garrow, Amherst, Mass.

June

- 10 Vitold W. Swirk, Ware, Mass.
Susan M. Kos, Palmer, Mass.
- 11 Robert G. Hall, Monson, Mass.
Stasia J. Wachta, Palmer, Mass.
- 17 Raymond Arnold Kinmonth, Jr., Belchertown, Mass.
Elinor Lois Burnett, South Hadley, Mass.
- 24 Edmund Norman Bronner, Belchertown, Mass.
Patricia Dorothy Story, Belchertown, Mass.

July

- 1 Walter Joseph Czupryna, Hardwick, Mass.
Mary Josephine Kopacz, Belchertown, Mass.
- 1 Floyd Allen Thompson, Jr., Amherst, Mass.
Jane B. Jewett, Belchertown, Mass.
- 1 Elmer Alvin Allen, Belchertown, Mass.
Marilyn Beryl Mason, Belchertown, Mass.
- 8 Henry Bernard Mercier, Holyoke, Mass.
Lucille Louisa Lepine, Belchertown, Mass.
- 22 Erwin F. Midura, Palmer, Mass.
Helen J. Kusza, Palmer, Mass.
- 29 Howard F. Slate, Jr., Chicopee, Mass.
Caroline R. Tucker, Belchertown, Mass.

APPENDIX

August

- 6 George Anthony Mikal, Worcester, Mass.
Stasia Wegrzyn, Belchertown, Mass.
- 9 Richard Bannon, Springfield, Mass.
Barbara Jane Webb, Belchertown, Mass.
- 12 George Henry Miner, Springfield, Mass.
Charlotte Ann Dyer, Springfield, Mass.
- 19 Joseph Podworski, Sunderland, Mass.
Dorothy W. Moore, Sunderland, Mass.
- 19 Frederick Lincoln McCollom, Jr., Belchertown, Mass.
June Rita Lynn, Spencer, Mass.
- 19 Earl Francis Henrichon, Belchertown, Mass.
Betty Jane Bishop, Belchertown, Mass.

September

- 2 George William Sullivan, Holyoke, Mass.
Phyllis Joan Malo, Belchertown, Mass.
- 2 Paul Elliotte Aldrich, Belchertown, Mass.
Norma Louise Doubleday, Belchertown, Mass.
- 2 Albert Francis Lebida, Belchertown, Mass.
Genevieve Josephine Sawicki, Palmer, Mass.
- 2 Harold Rene Baker, Belchertown, Mass.
Barbara Ann Alben Hess, Holyoke, Mass.
- 3 George Belding Jackson, Belchertown, Mass.
Beverly Affa Miller, Palmer, Mass.
- 8 Henry E. Wright, Boston, Mass.
Barbara Sessions, Boston, Mass.
- 4 William Donald Flaherty, Belchertown, Mass.
Catherine Elizabeth Smith, St. Albans, Vt.
- 9 Stanford John Harrington, Belchertown, Mass.
Barbara Ann Hudson, Belchertown, Mass.

APPENDIX

- 9 Stanley Cupryna, Belchertown, Mass.
Stephanie Topor, Ware, Mass.
- 9 Robert Earl Harrop, South Hadley, Mass.
Joyce Lorraine Fleurent, Belchertown, Mass.
- 9 Roger E. Halvorsen, Palmer, Mass.
Helen E. Wegrzyn, Sunnyside, Long Island, N. Y.
- 16 Felix S. Pikul, Palmer, Mass.
Mary J. Adzima, Belchertown, Mass.

October

- 4 Marcin B. Noga, Palmer, Mass.
Theresa L. Bobowiec, Belchertown, Mass.
- 7 Philip David Gaffney, Ludlow, Mass.
Lillian May Lyon, Belchertown, Mass.
- 22 Richard George Rogers, Belchertown, Mass.
Claudia Rose Evanson, Belchertown, Mass.

November

- 4 Clement Renaud Fontaine, Belchertown, Mass.
Yvette Rita Roberts, Holyoke, Mass.
- 11 Stanley Joseph Zglobicki, Ludlow, Mass.
Mary Emelia Jusko, Belchertown, Mass.
- 18 John Hugo Bachiochi, Stafford, Conn.
Ruth Louisa Spencer, Belchertown, Mass.
- 23 Sigmund J. Micek, Hardwick, Mass.
Helen M. Weseliszyn, Palmer, Mass.
- 23 Theodore Skomro, Monson, Mass.
Irene Weseliszyn, Palmer, Mass.

December

- 2 Charles Okula, Montague, Mass.
Genevieve Sophia Kos, Belchertown, Mass.
- 30 Edward Russell Black, Erving, Mass.
Dorothy Annette Futch Adams, Erving, Mass.

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- 30 John Hans Mieg, Belchertown, Mass.
 Joyce Loraine Spaulding, Northampton, Mass.
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DEATHS RECORDED 1950

Date	Name and Place of Death	Age		
		yrs.	mos.	dys.
January				
3	David G. Casey, Pelchertown	10	8	16
8	Stephen S. Barden, Belchertown	73	11	30
9	Michael Skrzyniarz, Belchertown	84	4	1
February				
7	Priscilla Ellen Reed, Belchertown	17	4	0
March				
5	Mary Francis Shea Jackson, Belchertown	77	6	12
6	Grace B. Thayer Grout, Chicopee	73	3	24
18	John D. Shea, Belchertown	89		
22	Maude Lila Farrar, Belchertown	51	7	1
22	Frank Seymour, Worcester	80	10	22
24	M. Pearl Birchmore Green, Belchertown	63	9	11
30	Pierre Brulotte, Belchertown	80		15
April				
4	Mabel L. O'Rourke Barden, Belchertown	66		
4	Clara Ford, Belchertown	37	8	23
7	Melanie Gagne Greene, Belchertown	51	8	14
17	Linda Ann Gay, Palmer			6
17	Linus G. Warren, St. Petersburg, Florida	71		
May				
3	Thomas J. Riley, Belchertown	87	9	
4	William W. DuBerger, Belchertown	87		
25	Arnold C. Martinelli, Jr., Belchertown	16	8	13
29	Anna Diebiel Wolanik, Westfield	41	0	22

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June

7	Hussey, Northampton		6h.
24	George Petfield, Belchertown	79	8 8
29	Donald R. Farland, Grafton	21	5 8

July

9	Lillian Thayer Kimball, Belchertown	71	3 29
19	Mary Eunice Wallis Spencer, Ware	90	1
31	Dorothy E. LaBroad Dorey, Northampton	36	9 18

August

2	Amy L. Richardson, Belchertown	76	11 20
24	Joseph A .Lapolice, Holyoke	77	
26	Loretta Berger, Chicopee	34	2 22
27	Joseph Patrick Flaherty, Springfield	82	6 21
28	Edward John Thompson, Belchertown	73	9 17

September

6	Ross M. Silman, Palmer	57	5 18
14	Guy H. Lackey, Jr., Belchertown	21	5 1
21	Clarence Almon Moore, Belchertown	72	8 21
21	Helen Harper, Belchertown	28	9 4
26	Wallace David Hunter, Belchertown	98	6 22
28	Grace M. Potter, Belchertown	49	6 8
29	Patricia Ann Dearing, Belchertown	4	6 0

October

4	Daisy L. Meyer Kinmonth, Holyoke	52	10 26
8	Ora Celia Keet Davis, Ware	61	8 19
6	Frank Joseph McGuirk, Belchertown	75	10 24
15	Henry Wolff, Belchertown	69	7 24
18	John J. Cronin, Belchertown	67	9 17

November

3	Johanna Shea Spellman, Belchertown	91	
11	Charles Lemuel Randall, Belchertown	81	5 16
17	Timothy Fitzgerald, Fall River	76	
22	Anna L. Shaw Kenfield, Chicopee	77	
29	Teresa Carley Cronin, Palmer	67	7

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Minutes of Annual Town Meeting

ARTICLES IN WARRANT FOR ANNUAL MEETING FEBRUARY 13, 1950

Art. 1. To choose the following named officers by nomination: two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year; one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 2. To hear the reports of the officers of the town and of any committees that may have been appointed by the town and act thereon.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses listed in the Finance Committee report for the current financial year and act thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1950, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account the sum of \$2,500.00 to the

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Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the school committee for the year ensuing, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to allow the selectmen to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1950, as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.00, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to allow the cemetery commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemetery at a rate not to exceed 75 cents per hour for the year 1950, as provided for in the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account the sum of \$1,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1947 for the purchase of road machinery, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account the sum of \$2,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1949, for the purchase of road machinery, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the salary for the Inspector of Wires, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the prevention and suppression of the Dutch Elm disease, such sums to be expended under the direction of the Moth Superintendent as required by the statutes, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to adopt as a by-law the following, or take any action relative thereto:

Removal of Snow and Ice from Sidewalks

Sec. 1. The tenant, occupant, and in case there is no tenant, the owner or person having the care, of any estate abutting upon

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any sidewalk shall, within twenty-four hours after the ceasing to fall or the accumulation of any snow or ice thereon, cause the same to be removed from the parts of the sidewalk on which said estate abuts, and if the same cannot wholly be removed, shall sprinkle sand thereon or act otherwise to make the sidewalk safe and convenient for travel.

Sec. 2. Whoever violates any provision of the preceding section shall pay a fine of not more than ten dollars, but no prosecution hereunder shall be commenced after six months from the committing of the offense.

Sec. 3. If any person neglects or refuses to perform the duties required of him by the preceding section numbered 1, the selectmen may, after due notice to such person, perform such duties, and recover from such person the expense thereof not exceeding ten dollars for each occasion.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to adopt the following amendment to the town By-Laws, to be designated as Section 2 of Article 9 of the by-laws of Belchertown, or take any action relative thereto.

No person shall ride a bicycle, ride or drive a horse or any other animal, or operate a motor vehicle on any public sidewalk of the town, unless authorized by the Selectmen.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Insurance Reserve Account the sum of \$350.00 to the Insurance Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to adopt the "Regulations Establishing the Minimum Standards of Fitness for Human Habitation", as made by the Department of Public Health acting under the provisions of Section 128 of Chapter 111 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 468 of the Acts of 1943 and Chapter 631 of the Acts of 1947, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$50.00 to reimburse Ethan H. Holden as the amount paid by him to the town for land on Amherst Road,

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later found to have legally reverted to original heirs, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to accept as a final report the report of the School Building Committee appointed February 12, 1945, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Moderator to name a committee of three to work with the School Committee, to study the Elementary School housing situation and to make recommendations for expanding of needed school facilities, and report to the next special town meeting, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to replace the fence between the driveway rented to the Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc., and the Memorial Hall grounds, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for bills incurred in 1949:

Dr. Harry G. Anton for Veterans' Services	\$12.00
Cooley Dickinson Hospital for Public Welfare	190.00
Wilfred T. Weston for police services	11.00
Andrew T. Sears for police services	23.80
The Ryther & Warren Co., renovations at Library	496.91
R. G. Harrington Co., renovations at Library	138.00
The Tremco Mfg. Co., renovations at Library	122.76
Wesley Dingman, renovations at Library	196.87

or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the use of the Selectmen in laying out, relocating or altering town ways, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 24. To see if the town will appropriate from receipts of sewer rentals for the purpose of paying a portion of the maturing

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debt, interest and maintenance of public sewers, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install three street lights on River Street extending from the residence of Ellery Holt to that of William D. Russell, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 26. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$25,000.00 to meet the shares of the State and County allotments on highway repair and maintenance under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 of the General Laws, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway construction, to be used in conjunction with State and County allotments, and determine upon which road such construction shall take place, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to relocate two street lights, now located on the discontinued section of State Street in front of the State School, and place them on the new overpass at the lower end of Maple Street, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to act as a planning board under Section 81A, Chapter 41, General Laws, until such a board is established, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 30. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

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ACTION TAKEN UNDER ARTICLES IN WARRANT FOR ANNUAL MEETING, FEBRUARY 13, 1950

Meeting called to order by Lewis H. Blackmer, Moderator.

Voted to waive the reading of the warrant.

Prayer was offered by Rev. William J. Delaney.

Art. 1. Voted: That Mrs. Amy C. Witt and Mrs. Louise Sherman be chosen as Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year, and Lewis H. Blackmer as trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 2. Voted: That the reports of the town officers and committees be accepted as printed in the annual report, with the exception of the Finance Committee report.

Art. 3. Voted: That the town vote to act on the Finance Committee report, and that each item be considered as a separate motion.

		Appropriations 1950	
		Taxation	Available Funds
Selectmen, Chairman	\$175.00		
Clerk	125.00		
Other member	125.00		
Chairman, Public Welfare	175.00		
Other member	125.00		
Other member	125.00		
Expenses	200.00	\$1,050.00	
Town Accountant, salary	400.00		
Expenses	25.00	425.00	
Treasurer, salary	525.00		
Expenses	290.00	815.00	
Tax Collector, salary	500.00*		
Expenses	525.00	1,025.00	
Assessors, salaries	700.00		
Expenses	250.00	950.00	

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Town Clerk, salary	300.00*	
Expenses	200.00	500.00
Election and Registration		950.00
Certification of Notes		20.00
Law		150.00
Town Hall		800.00
Lawrence Memorial Hall		300.00
Legion Hall		400.00
Police		1,000.00
Fire Department		2,300.00
Forest Fires		1,100.00
Hydrant Service		1,500.00
Moth Suppression		600.00
Tree Warden		400.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures		85.00
Health		1,400.00
Highways—Chapter 81		4,120.00
Highways—Chapter 90, Maintenance		500.00
Highways—Snow		1,500.00
Highways—Streets		100.00
Sidewalks		100.00
Highways—Bridges		1,000.00
Cleaning and Repairing Water Holes		200.00
Street Lights		2,072.50
Public Welfare		4,500.00
Veterans' Aid		500.00
Old Age Assistance	23,500.00	\$14,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	3,250.00	
Schools	102,830.00	
Vocational Education	500.00	
Parsons Athletic Field	300.00	
Retirement Payments	346.15	
Cemeteries	850.00	
Soldiers' Graves	200.00	

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Unclassified	500.00	
Reserve Fund		‡2,000.00
Memorial Day	200.00	
Armistice Day	50.00	
Honor Roll	20.00	
Insurance	2,800.00	
Interest	800.00	
Maturing Debt	665.00	
Town Clock	100.00	
Public Dump	100.00	
Care of Common	150.00	
Photostats of Discharges	25.00	
Recreation Program	500.00	
Clapp Memorial Library	700.00	

*Plus Fees. §From Surplus Revenue. ‡From Overlayings Reserve.

Art. 4. Voted: That the town give to Clapp Memorial Library, the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid for the year.

Art. 5. Voted: That the town authorize the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1950, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws. Vote was unanimous.

Art. 6. Voted: That the town appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account, the sum of \$2,500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account.

Art. 7. Voted: That the town authorize the payment of \$130.00 as salaries for the School Committee, for the year ensuing.

Art. 8. Voted: That the town allow the Selectmen to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1950, as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.

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Art. 9. Voted: That the town allow the Cemetery Commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemeteries at a rate not to exceed 75 cents per hour, for the year 1950, as provided for in the General Laws.

Art. 10. Voted: That the town appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account the sum of \$1,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1947, for the purchase of road machinery.

Art. 11. Voted: That the town appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account the sum of \$2,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1949, for the purchase of road machinery.

Art. 12. Voted: That the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 as salary for the Inspector of Wires, for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. Voted: That the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$900.00 for the prevention and suppression of the Dutch Elm Disease, such sums to be expended under the direction of the Moth Superintendent as required by the statutes.

Art. 14. Voted to lay on table.

Art. 15. Voted: That the town adopt the following amendment to the Town By-Laws, to be designated as Section 2 of Article 9, of the by-laws of Belchertown:

No person shall ride a bicycle, ride or drive a horse or any other animal, or operate a motor vehicle on any public sidewalk of the town, unless authorized by the Selectmen.

Vote 72 in favor, 18 opposed.

Art. 16. Voted: That the town appropriate from the Insurance Reserve Account the sum of \$350.00 to the Insurance Account.

Art. 17. Voted to lay on table.

Art. 18. Voted: That the town appropriate from available funds the sum of \$50.00 to reimburse Ethan H. Holden as the amount paid by him to the town for land on Amherst Road, later found to have legally reverted to original heirs.

Art. 19. Report of Committee on Alterations and Additions to the Center Grade School.

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On February 12, 1945, a committee was appointed at the annual Town Meeting to study requirements and make plans with estimated costs for alterations and additions to the Center Grade School.

In January, 1946, this committee reported its findings and recommendations as stated in the Town Report of that year. Later, on the recommendation of the committee, permission was sought and obtained from the State Legislature to borrow outside the legal debt limit and an advance was obtained from the Federal Government for the detailed preparation of working plans. The state Building Assistance Committee does not feel that these plans are adequate to meet the present situation and will not now approve them.

Since then, the Committee has continued in being, more or less inactively, until such a time as building costs become more stable and plans for state or government financial aid become crystalized.

Voted: That this report be accepted.

Art. 20. Voted: That the town instruct the Moderator to name a committee of three to work with the School Committee, to study the Elementary School housing situation and to make recommendations for expanding of needed school facilities, and report to the next special town meeting.

Art. 21. Voted: That the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to replace the fence between the driveway rented to the Belchertown Motor Sales, Inc., and the Memorial Hall grounds.

Art. 22. Voted: That the town raise and appropriate the following sums for bills incurred in 1949:

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The Tremco Mfg. Co., renovations at Library	122.76

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Wesley Dingman, renovations at Library

196.87

\$1,191.34

Vote was unanimous.

Art. 23. Voted: That the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the use of the Selectmen for laying out, relocating or altering town ways.

Art. 24. Voted: That the town appropriate from receipts of sewer rentals the sum of \$2,085.00 for maturing debt and interest, and the sum of \$300.00 for maintenance of public sewer system.

Art. 25. Voted: That the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$55.50 for the purpose of installing three (3) street lights on River Street, extending from the residence of Ellery Holt to that of William D. Russell.

Art. 26. Voted: That the town authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$25,000.00 to meet the shares of the State and County allotments on highway repair and maintenance under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 of the General Laws, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year. Vote was unanimous.

Art. 27. Voted: That the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500.00 to be used in conjunction with the State and County allotments for Chapter 90 to be used on the Three Rivers Road. Yes, 74; No, 47.

Art. 28. Voted: That the town authorize the Selectmen to relocate two street lights now situated on the discontinued section of State Street in front of the State School, on the lower end of Maple Street over the new overpass.

Art. 29. Voted: That the Moderator appoint a committee of three to investigate the desirability of a planning board.

Art. 30. Selectmen announced appointment of Ralph Trombly and Elliott Cordner to the Finance Committee for three years.

Voted: To adjourn at 9.40 p. m.

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ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, JUNE 26, 1950

Art. 1. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account the sum of \$2,500 to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate from available funds the sum of \$500.00 to the Health Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to make a field driver's premises a town pound in accordance with Section 28, Chapter 49, General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 4. To hear the report of the committee of three appointed by the Moderator at the Annual Town Meeting to work with the School Committee to study the elementary school housing situation and to make recommendations for expanding of needed school facilities, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the town will vote to create an elementary School Building Committee to consist of the committee of three appointed by the Moderator at the last Annual Town Meeting, and the School Committee; and authorize said Committee to employ an architect and obtain plans and specifications for an elementary school building; and to appropriate from available funds a sum of money to be spent by said Committee for this purpose, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to authorize and direct the Selectmen to purchase, or take by eminent domain under Chapter 79 of the General Laws, for school purposes the real estate of Daniel P. Shea and Lucille E. Shea, situated on the southerly side of Jensen Street, formerly called Dorman's Mill road, in Belchertown, Massachusetts, containing thirteen (13) acres, more or less, and being the property described in a deed of William H. Squires et ux, to said Daniel P. Shea et ux, dated July 27, 1949, and recorded in Hampshire County Registry of Deeds Book 1052, Page 319, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for this pur-

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pose, or act otherwise thereon.

Art. 7. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

ACTION TAKEN UNDER ARTICLES IN WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, JUNE 26, 1950

Art. 1. Voted: That the town vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account the sum of \$2,500.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account.

Art. 2. Voted: That the town vote to appropriate from available funds the sum of \$500.00 to the Health Account.

Art. 3. Voted: That the town vote to accept the provisions of Section 28, Chapter 49, of the General Laws, and authorize the impounding of beasts taken up by a field driver on the premises of the field driver as a town pound.

Art. 4. Mrs. Vera Harrington read report of Committee making recommendations.

Voted: That this report be accepted as a vote of progress; Amended: and that this New Elementary School Committee, or any succeeding committee, joint committee, or building committee shall be instructed as follows. First, that they shall hold public hearings on the questions of site, type of building required, estimated costs, etc.; secondly, that they shall consider and use all majority opinions in so far as feasible resulting from such public hearings; thirdly, that they then shall submit for approval all resulting decisions to Town Meetings of not less than one hundred and fifty voters.

Art. 5. Voted: That the Committee of Three appointed by the Moderator at the last Annual Town Meeting, and the School Committee, be and are hereby constituted as an elementary School Building Committee for the purpose of employing an Architect and obtaining plans and specifications, and to incur any engineering expenses for the construction of an elementary school building; and that the sum of \$11,000 be and are hereby appropriated

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and transferred to the use of said Committee, from the Town's Post War Rehabilitation Fund; Amended: and that we appoint two new members to the Building Committee, and that they be Elliott S. Cordner and Joseph Kempkes, and that they report back at another meeting to be called within a month.

Art. 6. Motion proposed in accordance with terms of article defeated by a vote of 76 opposed and 45 in favor.

Art. 7. Voted to adjourn.

ARTICLES IN WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEET-

Art. 1. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Sections 42, 43, and 44, Chapter 48, of the General Laws, relative to the establishment of a Fire Department in the Town of Belchertown, or take any other action relative thereto.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Reserve Account a sum of money to pay for takings on Poole Road, or take any other action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will accept the layout of Poole Road, so-called, as made by the Board of Selectmen, under date of November 9, 1950, and as shown on a Plan, dated July 17, 1950, on file in the Town Clerk's office in Belchertown, Massachusetts. or act otherwise thereon.

Art. 4. To hear the report of the committee of three, appointed by the moderator at the Annual Town Meeting, to investigate the possibility of a Planning Board, and take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to elect Sewer Commissioners at the annual Town Elections on February 5, 1951, one for one year, one for two years, and one for three years; and at each annual meeting thereafter it shall elect one for three years, as provided in Section 63, Chapter 41, of the General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

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ACTION TAKEN UNDER WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER 13, 1950

Art. 4. Joseph J. Kempkes, Sr., reported for Committee appointed at Annual Town Meeting, under Article 29, for investigation of desirability of a Planning Board. Report: The Committee having made a study of the laws relating to Planning Boards and their duties; and realizing the need of a suitable building code for the town and the possibility of the need of zoning by-laws; consider that the best and proper method of meeting these needs is by the election of a planning board. Therefore, we recommend that the town elect at the next Annual Town Meeting, in accordance with Chapter 41, Section 81A of the General Laws, a planning board to be composed of five (5) members. Voted: That the Town accept Committee's report, and adopt recommendations contained therein.

Art. 1. Voted: That the Town accept Sections 42, 43, and 44, Chapter 48, of the General Laws, relative to the establishment of a Fire Department in Belchertown.

Art. 2. Voted: To appropriate \$4 from the reserve fund to pay for takings of land on Poole Road.

Art. 3. Voted: To lay on table.

Art. 5. Voted: That the Town elect Sewer Commissioners at the annual town elections on February 5, 1951, one for one year, one for two years and one for three years, and at each annual meeting thereafter it shall elect one for three years, as provided in Section 63, Chapter 41, of the General Laws.

Voted to adjourn at 8.20 p. m.

ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT FOR THE SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, DECEMBER 11, 1950

Art. 1. To see if the Town will accept the layout of Poole Road, so-called, as made by the Board of Selectmen, under date of November 9, 1950, and as shown on a plan, dated July 17,

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1950, on file in the Town Clerk's office in Belchertown, Massachusetts, or act otherwise thereon.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds a sum of money for old age assistance, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds a sum of money for civilian defense, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds a sum of money for the repair of the roof and the shower stalls at the Old Town Hall, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

ACTION TAKEN UNDER WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, DECEMBER 11, 1950

Art. 1. Voted: That the town accept the layout of Poole Road, so-called, as made by the Board of Selectmen, under date of November 9, 1950, and as shown on a Plan, dated July 17, 1950, on file in the Town Clerk's office in Belchertown.

Art. 2. Voted to lay on the table.

Art. 3. Voted: That the town appropriate from available funds the sum of \$200.00 for Civilian Defense.

Art. 4. Voted: That the town appropriate from available funds the sum of \$720.00 for repair of the roof and shower stalls at the Old Town Hall.

Art. 5. Voted: To adjourn, at 8.08 p. m.

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Itemized Report of Receipts and Expenditures

RECEIPTS

GENERAL REVENUE

Taxes, William E. Shaw, Tax Collector		
Levy of 1947, Real Estate	\$23.89	
Levy of 1948, Real Estate	1,106.37	
Levy of 1948, Personal Property	733.97	
Levy of 1949, Real Estate	9,417.71	
Levy of 1949, Personal Property	2,285.39	
Levy of 1950, Real Estate	70,340.00	
Levy of 1950, Personal Property	16,514.68	
Levy of 1949, Polls	2.00	
Levy of 1950, Polls	1,598.00	
Levy of 1949, Motor Vehicle Excise	756.66	
Levy of 1950, Motor Vehicle Excise	17,848.77	
Tax Title Redemptions	1,264.38	121,891.82
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Reimbursement for loss of taxes	2,461.14	
Income tax	32,110.13	
Corporation tax, business, franchise	7,469.59	
Meals tax, Old Age Assistance	1,258.76	
M. D. C., in lieu of taxes	1,656.25	44,955.87
Liquor licenses	2,375.00	
Business licenses and permits	168.50	
Court fines	167.75	2,711.25
Grants and Gifts		
From Federal Government		
Old Age Assistance, Aid	25,105.80	
Old Age Assistance, Administration	1,139.69	

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Aid to Dependent Children, Aid	1,892.30	
Aid to Dependent Children, Adm.	134.71	
George Barden Fund	100.00	
Smith-Hughes Fund	104.33	28,476.83
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
Vocational Education	3,112.01	
Union Superintendent	486.23	
High School Transportation	13,336.00	
Highways, Chapter 81	29,716.20	
Inspection of Animals	100.00	46,750.44
County of Hampshire, dog licenses		829.76
Total General Revenue		\$245,615.97

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

Rent: Common, Memorial Hall, Driveway		
Belchertown Garden Club	\$1.50	
Mt. Vernon Chapter, O. E. S.	3.00	
Double or Nothing Club	3.00	
Methodist Church	6.00	
Union Grange	3.00	
Wickaboag Chapter, DeMolay	3.00	
American Legion Auxiliary	6.00	
Vernon Lodge, A. F. & A. M.	3.00	
Sundry persons, telephone toll calls	1.95	
Belchertown Motor Sales, rent, driveway	10.00	
Chauncey D. Walker Post, electricity on		
Common	15.00	
Belchertown Farmers' & Mechanics' Club	200.00	255.45
Lumberman's Mutual Casualty Co., dam-		
age to fire truck		67.00
M. C. Baggs, inspection fee	.50	
Sears, Roebuck & Co., Fire Dept. inspection	1.00	1.50
Raymond C. Gay, Sealer of W. and M. fees		48.60
Central Vermont Railroad, forest fires		133.50
County of Hampshire, dog officer fees		88.25
County of Hampshire, wildcat bounty		10.00
Commonwealth of Mass., contagious diseases		28.00
Commonwealth of Mass., Dept. of Health subsidy		220.71

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Highways, Joint Construction and Maintenance		
Construction, State (1949)	3,986.30	
Construction, County (1949)	2,489.34	
Construction, County (1950)	2,499.19	
Maintenance, State (1949)	500.00	
Maintenance, County (1949)	500.00	9,974.83
Ware Metal & Paper Stock Co., sale of bridge		154.28
Ware Metal & Paper Stock Co., sale of junk		11.19
Road Machinery Earnings (details tabulated later)		10,447.91
Sewer rentals		2,288.12
Reimbursements, Charities		
Public Welfare		
Commonwealth of Mass.	134.50	
Other cities and towns	94.50	
Individuals	941.27	1,170.27
Aid to Dependent Children		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	1,433.04	
Old Age Assistance		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts	25,383.26	
Metropolitan District	92.39	
Other cities and towns	1,424.68	26,900.33
Commonwealth of Mass., Veterans' Services	189.60	
Recovery, 1949 Veteran's burial	148.00	337.60
Commonwealth of Mass., tuition and transportation of children		12,593.25
School Dept., miscellaneous receipts		.40

Total receipts, Commercial Revenue	\$66,166.23
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INTEREST

First National Bank of Amherst		
Susan Bridgman Poor Fund	\$315.00	
Amherst Savings Bank		
Calvin Bridgman Library Fund	200.00	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	495.56	
William E. Shaw, Collector of Taxes		
Interest deferred taxes	460.25	
Interest tax titles	19.63	1,490.44

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AGENCY, TRUST AND INVESTMENT

William E. Shaw, Town Clerk, dog licenses	\$1,008.05
Edward B. Conkey, sale of dog	4.50
Sundry persons, withholding tax	7,222.64
Insurance reserve, Chap. 81 and Chap. 90	396.62
Hampshire County Retirement funds	722.32
Blue Cross and Health accounts	1,242.72
Cemetery Perpetual Care, Mt. Hope Cemetery	
Estate Harry Bridgman, Phineas Bridgman lot	100.00
Estate Harry Bridgman, Thomas Bridgman lot	100.00
Estate Harry Bridgman, Richard Bridgman lot	100.00
Estate Myron A. Shaw, Myron A. Shaw lot	75.00
Cora M. Percy, Morse-Oleson lot	100.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care, Rural Cemetery	
Lucy Maud Morgan, Executrix, Willard H. V. Belding lot	100.00
Clarence Robinson, Field Driver, sale of impounded cattle	552.00
Recovery of Old Age Assistance	1,629.98
Guy E. Harrington, school athletic fund	70.20
Checks to Tailing Account	216.62
Private Trust Accounts	692.00
	\$14,332.65

REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS

Sundry persons, Old Age Asst. checks	\$347.50	
Perkins-Eaton Mach. Co., Rd. Mach. refund	113.78	
Treas. Hampshire Co., dog license refund	479.75	
Refund, Veterans' Aid	14.00	
Refund, W. P. A.	1.54	
Refund, Health account	2.45	959.02
Total receipts for the year ending Dec. 31, 1950	\$328,564.31	
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1950	54,533.30	
		\$383,097.61

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EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Selectmen

Salaries

Isaac A. Hodgen	\$300.00	
Francis M. Austin	250.00	
Charles F. Austin	300.00	\$850.00

Expenses

Jean Chaffee, clerical work	52.50	
Postage	13.12	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	7.20	
Isaac Hodgen, supplies	5.60	
Hampshire Co. Selectmen's Assn., dues	6.00	
Mass. Selectmen's Assn., dues	25.00	
D. Donald Hazen, posting warrants	30.00	
Comm. of Public Safety, license permits	.60	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	2.11	
Tighe & Bond, maps of town	4.40	146.53

\$996.53

Town Accountant

Ella A. Stebbins, salary	400.00	
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Expenses

Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	8.44	
Postage	.50	408.94

Treasurer

William E. Shaw, salary	525.00	
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Expenses

Mass. Collectors' & Treas. Assn., dues	2.00	
Employers' Liab. Assur. Corp., bond	72.00	
Jean Chaffee, clerical work	131.00	
Postage	68.63	
Office supplies	4.90	
Palmer Nat'l Bank, safe deposit box	6.00	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	5.45	289.98

\$814.98

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Collector of Taxes

William E. Shaw, salary	500.00
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Expenses

Jean Chaffee, clerical work	95.50	
Employers' Liab. Assur. Corp., bond	107.75	
Office supplies	4.75	
Mass. Collectors' & Treas. Assn., dues	2.00	
A. J. Hastings, supplies	7.79	
Postage	138.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	68.12	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	84.10	508.01

\$1,008.01

Assessors

Salaries

Frederick H. Lincoln	350.00	
George Booth	350.00	700.00

Expenses

June Henneman	5.25	
Jean Chaffee	130.75	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	60.33	
Raymond Warner, Register, transfers	19.20	
Assn. of Mass. Assessors, dues	15.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, binding books	2.75	
Jackson's Store, supplies	1.70	
Stoneham Independent, excise tables	1.00	235.98

\$935.98

Town Clerk

William E. Shaw, salary	300.00
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Expenses

William E. Shaw, recording fees	162.00	
Jean Chaffee, clerical work	13.50	
Employers' Liab. Assur. Corp., bond	7.50	
Mass. Town Clerks' Assn., dues	5.00	
Postage	7.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, repairing books	5.00	200.00

\$500.00

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Law

James F. Mahoney, Attorney	125.00	
Morse & Morse, Attorneys	262.10	387.10

Election and Registration

Registrars

Raymond Beaudoin	42.00	
Roy Shaw	46.00	
Daniel Shea	15.25	103.25

Precinct Officers, Sundry Persons		532.51
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Expenses

Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	60.00	
Jean Chaffee, clerical work	22.50	
Sundry Persons, lunches	30.29	
George Dewey, janitor service	2.00	114.79

Street Listing

Minnie Flaherty	60.00	
Marion Plant	60.00	
Emma Loftus	60.00	
Jean Chaffee, typing	17.50	197.50

\$948.05

THE LAWRENCE MEMORIAL HALL

New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	102.50	
Carpenter Mfg. Co., batteries	16.86	
Elmer Carrington, footlights	44.87	
Kimball & Hussey, repairs	60.85	
Raymond Menard, hanging stage curtains	2.00	
George Dewey, hanging stage curtains	2.00	
Oakes Electrical Supply Co.	1.67	
W. H. Young, repairs	2.20	232.95

TOWN HALL

Charles Corry, janitor	200.00	
William Kimball, Jr., janitor	80.00	
Lloyd Chadbourne, fuel oil	483.00	
Central Mass. Electric Co., lights	86.15	
Quirk Paper Co., towels, etc.	20.84	
Elmer Carrington, repairing leaks	3.00	
Allen & Shumway, cleaning oil burner	7.50	
Holyoke Supply Co., gaskets	1.38	881.87

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TOWN HALL—SPECIAL APPROPRIATION—REPAIRS

Repairing Roof		
The Ryther & Warren Co., shingles, nails	22.65	
Anthony Bethume	12.00	
Willard Young	12.00	
Isaac Hodgen	12.00	
John Bannon Co., installing tile	600.00	658.65

AMERICAN LEGION HEADQUARTERS

Vernon Lodge Building Assn., rent	300.00	
Central Mass. Electric Co., electricity	8.10	308.10

POLICE

Services as Officer		
Henry Berger	140.00	
Andrew Sears	151.39	
Charles Corry	224.00	
Frank Gold	108.69	
Wilfred Weston	11.00	
Donald Hazen	163.40	
Nelson Hill	227.66	
Francis P. Loftus, precinct officer	10.80	
W. Paige Piper, precinct officer	11.90	
Harlan Davis, dog officer	10.00	
Edward Conkey, dog officer	44.00	
Sundry persons, services at primaries	42.75	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	15.05	
Dr. Kenneth Collard	5.00	
Dr. James Collard	13.00	
Standard Sign & Signal, traffic belts, gloves	14.23	
Pernett Bracey, cleaning jail	5.00	1,197.87

FIRE DEPARTMENT

M. C. Baggs, salary as Fire Chief	100.00	
J. J. Kempkes, salary as Fire Chief	100.00	200.00
Expenses		
M. C. Baggs, oil and gas permits	165.75	
J. J. Kempkes, oil and gas permits	92.25	
Sundry persons, services emergency truck	27.00	
New England Tel. & Tel., telephone	220.80	
Central Mass. Elec. Co., light and power	73.85	
Lloyd Chadbourne, fuel oil	283.33	

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Daniel Waters, office supplies	8.85	
Physicians Medical Gasses Co., cylinders recharged, oxygen	28.22	
H. E. Kimball and Sons, repairs, paint	89.03	
The Ryther and Warren Co., supplies	23.25	
J. J. Kempkes & Son, shingling, repairs	24.00	
David G. Deane, fog nozzle	30.00	
Carpenter Mfg. Co., lenses and switch	2.60	
The Chase and Cooledge Co., clamp	.51	
Amer.-LaFrance-Foamite Corp., adapter, badges, etc.	59.35	
Squires' Garage, repairs	39.70	
J. Raymond Gould, gas, oil, tires, etc.	389.91	
Sudbury Lab., gal. firewater	12.50	
The Seagrave Corp., services of engineers, repairs	121.40	
Kimball & Hussey, repairs	182.00	
James Shea, fire hose, recharges	245.60	
New England Assn. of Fire Chiefs, dues	6.00	
Frank Stein & Sons, file	45.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	4.34	
Merrick Lumber Co., enamel	12.00	
H. A. Hopkins' Store, cleaning	1.50	
Employers' Liab. Assur. Corp., accident coverage	148.03	
Belcehrtown Motor Sales, inspections	2.00	
Massachusetts Surgical, Inc.	14.40	
Sundry persons, lunches	18.50	2,371.67
		\$2,571.67

FOREST FIRES

M. C. Baggs, issuing permits	30.00
J. J. Kempkes, issuing permits	17.20
Sundry persons, services at fires	548.60
Am. LaFrance-Foam. Corp., carrying racks	18.43
Fitzhenry Guptill Co., repairs	2.16
John W. Russell and Sons, repairs	6.00
American-Marsh Pumps	81.49
Lloyd Chadbourne, fuel oil	46.95
Allen and Shumway, repairs	1.00

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Kenneth Bristol, repairs	14.00	
Belchertown Motor Sales	9.90	
Hedlund Motor Co.	17.33	793.06
HYDRANT SERVICE		
Belchertown Water District		1,500.00
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES		
Raymond Gay, salary and transportation	75.00	
W. and L. E. Gurley, sealer's supplies	10.40	85.40
INSPECTOR OF WIRES		
Harry E. Sessions, salary		99.00
MOTH SUPPRESSION		
Norman Wilson, labor	252.45	
Clinton Rhodes, labor	229.05	
Willard Young, labor	34.20	
Use of trucks and car	84.00	599.70
WILDCAT BOUNTIES		
John Fletcher		10.00
DUTCH ELM DISEASE		
Frank Allen, Tree Surgeon, trimming	63.00	
The Northern Tree Expert Co., spraying trees	468.60	
The Northern Tree Expert Co., removing trees	84.90	
Sundry persons, labor	223.20	
Chain saw and use of truck	58.50	
Lloyd Chadbourne, kerosene	1.80	900.00
TREE WARDEN		
Northern Tree Expert Co., topping trees	40.10	
Gordon A. Wade, pruning trees	12.95	
Mohawk Tree Surgery	47.25	
Labor		
Edward Conkey	85.05	
Edward Camp	2.70	
Raymond Peeso	4.50	
Edward Schmidt	45.00	
Merton Pratt	9.00	
Harold Tucker	14.40	

APPENDIX

Malcolm Stone	6.30	
Roland Squires	7.20	
Ira Shattuck	18.00	
Edward L. Schmidt, chain saw	77.25	
Use of trucks and tractor		
Ira Shattuck	6.00	
David White	11.50	
Edward Conkey	19.00	
Malcolm Stone	9.00	415.20
HEALTH		
Transportation to Lakeville Sanatorium	10.50	
Hampshire County Sanatorium	764.00	
Roy Shaw, death certificates	3.25	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing	1.68	
Lena Wilson, clerical work	18.00	
Dr. Francis Austin, inspector of animals	200.00	
John R. Newman, inspector of meat	43.00	
Belchertown State School, sewage disposal	865.13	1,905.56
SEWER CONSTRUCTION		
Labor payrolls, sundry pesons		\$2,301.00
Town equipment		291.60
Hired Equipment		
Earl Howland	17.10	
Roy Nutting	36.00	
M. C. Baggs, pumps	55.78	
Edwin Shumway	234.00	
Clinton Rhodes	37.38	
Warner Bros., backhoe	1,380.79	1,761.05
Material		
Aubuchon Hardware Co.	.40	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	1,057.22	
Asphalt Pavement Corp.	384.90	
Allen and Shumway	5.50	
Lynch Brick Co.	135.15	
Zabek Sand & Gravel Co.	10.21	
Squires' Garage	6.00	
Charles Downing	3.25	
J. & W. Jolly	187.50	
Raymond Gould	6.82	1,796.95

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All Other		
Morse & Morse, Attorneys	400.15	
Simplex Valve and Meter Co.	85.12	
Lewis H. Blackmer	3.75	
Elec. Roto-Rooter, sewer and drain service	35.00	
Tighe & Bond, field survey, etc.	116.75	
H. A. Hopkins' Store	8.45	
Webster's Store	11.45	660.67
		\$6,811.27
SEWER MAINTENANCE		
Labor payrolls, sundry persons		273.27
Town equipment		33.60
Hired Equipment		
Earl Howland	12.30	
Roy Nutting, shovel	42.00	54.30
D. Donald Hazen, trucking		10.50
Material		
H. A. Hopkins' Store, gloves	.90	
Asphalt Pavement Corp.	12.00	
Guy C. Allen, Jr., inspection	4.00	16.90
		\$388.57
HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 81		
Labor payrolls, sundry persons		11,533.99
Insurance		384.13
Town equipment		7,076.58
Hired Equipment		
Earl Howland	585.45	
Donald Hazen	569.00	
Fred Lincoln	481.85	
E. F. Shumway	97.50	
Alexander Ross	211.50	
Clinton Rhodes	247.75	
Lloyd Chadbourne	180.38	
Charles Rhodes	51.00	
Stephen Puffer, truck	204.50	
Stephen Puffer, shovel	737.00	
Stephen Puffer, moving shovel	64.00	

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Superintendent of Streets, Granby	308.00	
Ed Shyloski	211.00	
Roy Nutting, shovel	78.00	
Warner Bros., bond	10.00	
Warner Bros., compressor	52.50	4,089.43
Material		
Springfield Wrecking Co.	72.00	
Harvey Sampson, spraying	28.92	
John Lane & Son, trap rock	243.65	
Koppers Co., emul. asphalt	983.45	
The Chemical Corp.	620.46	
Roy Nutting	111.15	
Zabek Sand and Gravel	26.86	
Asphalt Pavement Corp.	1,769.70	
W. H. Young, signs	61.25	
John Spellman, sand	153.80	
M. C. Baggs, couplings	13.00	
Ray Clark	28.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, signs	5.00	
Mrs. Marion Baril, gravel	140.40	
New England Metal Culvert Co.	702.80	
Buscroft Shops	5.00	
Warner Bros.	29.27	
Barrett Division	3,920.21	
Germaine Desilets, gravel	30.00	
Commonwealth of Mass., signs	58.00	
D. D. Ruxton Co.	286.22	
Stephen Puffer, sand	66.55	9,355.69
		\$32,439.82
HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 90—CONSTRUCTION		
Labor payrolls, sundry persons		2,238.44
Town equipment		210.00
Hired Equipment		
D. D. White, tractor loader	110.00	
Town of Hardwick, roller	448.00	
Ralph Young, moving roller	32.00	
Warner Bros., shovel	476.00	
Warner Bros., bulldozer	252.00	
Warner Bros., grader	56.00	

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Kelliher Corp., stone box	25.60	
Town of Hardwick, sweeper	34.00	
Earl Howland	3.30	
E. F. Shumway	820.26	
Donald Hazen	557.54	
Clinton Rhodes	324.43	
Fred Lincoln	584.32	3,723.45
Material		
New England Metal Culvert Co.	92.41	
John Spellman, sand	234.60	
John S. Lane & Sons, traprock	2,039.21	
Koppers' Co., emul. asphalt	3,034.21	
F. Beaudreau, oil	6.00	
Commonwealth of Mass., cable posts	261.00	
Roger Bowler, kerosene	3.00	
A. Girard & Son, concrete	70.10	
Holyoke Farm Machinery, paint	30.03	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	42.48	5,813.04
		\$11,984.93
HIGHWAYS—CHAPTER 90—MAINTENANCE		
Labor payrolls, sundry persons		574.28
Insurance		19.40
Town equipment		275.20
Hired Equipment		
Earl Howland	31.20	
Stephen Puffer	28.00	
Alexander Ross	26.00	85.20
Material		
Commonwealth of Mass., cable posts	140.00	
John S. Lane & Sons, traprock	333.75	
Asphalt Pavement Corp.	57.30	531.05
		\$1,485.13
HIGHWAYS—SNOW REMOVAL		
Labor payrolls, sundry persons	672.16	
Town equipment	374.45	
Hired trucks	79.78	
Stephen Puffer, sand	62.70	

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Peter Sapouckey, plowing and maintenance	25.00	1,214.09
HIGHWAYS—STREETS		
Telephone	13.10	
Tighe & Bond, map and prints	35.20	
Standard Sign and Signal Co.	1.58	
Warner Bros., dynamite	2.60	
Town equipment	4.80	
Labor, sundry persons	18.24	75.52
HIGHWAYS—BRIDGES		
Labor payrolls, sundry persons	541.07	
Town equipment	150.45	
Hired equipment	105.85	
Lumber, W. D. Cows	646.46	
Hampshire Co., notice of hearing	2.50	
W. H. Easton, sawing	65.66	
J. Russell & Co.	7.98	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	15.12	1,535.09
HIGHWAYS—SIDEWALKS		
Labor payrolls, sundry persons	16.48	
Town equipment	5.25	21.73
ROAD MACHINERY EXPENSE ACCOUNT		
Gas, oil, grease, etc., sundry persons		1,263.04
Repairs, including labor, sundry persons		3,356.63
Garage Expenses		
Water, light and fuel	600.18	
Gravel	4.54	
Repairs to burner	8.00	
A. J. Madigan, increasing door height	194.10	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	20.60	827.42
All Other		
Star Insurance Co.	128.92	
W. E. Shaw, registrations	12.00	
Merchants Mutual Casualty Co.	289.77	
Inspections	2.00	432.69
		\$5,879.78
STREET LIGHTS		
Central Mass. Electric Co.		2,040.40

APPENDIX

PUBLIC WELFARE

Lena Wilson, salary	35.00	
Box rent, office sppplies	3.00	
Charles F. Austin, travel	19.18	57.18
Groceries and provisions, sundry persons		280.83
Coal, wood, and oil, sundry persons		50.95
Board and care, sundry persons		439.65
Medicine and Medical Attendance		
College Drug Store, Amherst	45.63	
Dr. Gerald Hogan	57.00	
Dr. James Collard	68.00	
Dr. Kenneth Collard	3.00	
Stella Cleveland	33.00	
Cooley Dickinson Hospital	40.00	
Belchertown Pharmacy	5.50	252.13
State Institutions		1,405.34
Cash grants to individuals		246.50
Donald Hazen, transportation		22.00
H. A. Hopkins' Store, shoes		3.95
Webster's Store		5.99

\$2,764.52

RELIEF FROM CHARITY FUNDS

Susan M. D. Bridgman Poor Fund	166.00
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VETERANS' AID

Lena Wilson, clerical work	32.00	
Charles F. Austin, travel	23.23	
Cash payments, sundry persons	147.37	
Fuel, sundry persons	6.88	
Dr. Kenneth Collard	14.00	
Dr. Harry Anton	4.00	
Groceries, sundry persons	4.88	232.36

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL GRANTS—AID

Cash aid, sundry persons	25,132.32
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—FEDERAL GRANTS—ADM.

Lena Wilson, salary	1,029.45
Travel expenses	90.58
Postage	67.42
Telephone	47.95

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Johnson's Bookstore, supplies	2.20	
Underwood Corp., maintenance	13.20	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., registration book	9.67	
Quirk Paper Co.	2.00	
Conference expenses	10.25	1,272.72

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—TOWN APPROPRIATION

Cash aid, sundry persons		34,667.31
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Aid by Other Cities and Towns

Town of Orange	226.77	
City of Chicopee	225.17	
Town of Ludlow	346.67	
Town of Ware	159.30	
City of Holyoke	53.65	
Town of Amherst	85.21	
Town of Palmer	64.56	1,161.33

Administrative Expenses

Lena Wilson, salary	685.84	
Travel expenses	37.59	
Telephone	47.90	
Box rent and postage	12.05	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing, etc.	47.77	
Hobbs & Warren, Inc., forms	2.20	
Quirk Paper Co.	2.55	
Office supplies	.59	
Conference expense	6.25	842.74

\$36,671.38

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

From Federal Grants

Cash Aid, sundry persons	2,345.75
Lena Wilson, salary	134.71

From Town Appropriation

Cash aid, sundry persons	2,066.53	4,546.99
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SCHOOLS

School Committee

Albert Markham, salary	33.33
Mrs. Fanny Morey, salary	40.00
E. Clifton Witt, salary	43.33
W. Paige Piper, salary	13.34

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Albert Markham, travel	5.20	
Chartwell House, Inc.	2.15	
Mass. Assn. of School Committees, dues	10.00	147.35
School Superintendent and Administrative Assistant		
Edwin J. Cox, salary	619.98	
Carl J. Peterson, salary	4,303.86	
Edwin J. Cox, travel allowance	150.00	
Edwin J. Cox, conference expenses	45.85	
Carl J. Peterson, travel allowance	240.00	
Carl J. Peterson, conf. and expenses	227.31	
American School Board Journal	3.00	
American Assn. School Adm., dues	10.00	
American School and Univ., subscription	2.80	
Educational Test Bureau	16.02	
Prentice-Hall, Inc., book	5.27	5,624.09
Office Expenses		
Rose May Dewey, clerical work	1,428.50	
Broadway Office Supply Co.	12.25	
Box rent, postage	6.68	
Forbes, Snyder, Inc.	16.83	
"School Life" subscription	1.00	
Petty Cash fund	20.00	
H. T. Janes & Son	15.75	
Ellis Smith	21.45	
Jackson's Store	1.45	
"The School Executive," subscription	3.00	
Educational Test Bureau	11.71	
Guy Harrington, postage	3.80	
Lewis H. Blackmer	14.25	1,556.67
D. Donald Hazen, truant officer		20.79
Salaries of Teachers and Substitutes		
Blanche Austin	1,373.07	
Bernadette Bowler	2,518.87	
Gilbert Carlson	676.88	
Mildred Carter	2,388.00	
John Connolly	2,334.65	
Robert Diamond	796.14	
Elwyn Doubleday	2,878.43	
Chester Eisold	2,800.00	
Eleanor Fitzgerald	2,617.28	

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Alice Flaherty	2,551.93
Donald Geer	761.49
Guy Harrington	3,834.65
Vera Harrington	2,544.21
Nancy Hudson	2,014.79
Madeleine Lambert	2,534.65
Emma Loftus	2,074.31
Irene Orlando	2,528.40
Sophia Pero	2,734.65
Mildred Robbins	2,631.27
Marion Shaw	1,700.00
Nellie Shea	2,400.00
Ronald Susee	761.49
Ada Tague	2,755.25
Lillian Vatousiou	1,696.71
Elaine Webber	2,617.28
Florence Jackson, Household Arts	2,220.63
Ethel Collis, Household Arts	63.00
Ruth Kempkes, Household Arts	63.00
Rinehart (Handwriting)	600.00
Clara Cook, Music	1,500.00
Frances Hodgen	236.00
Jean Chaffee	137.00
Margaret Knight	7.00
Robert Freeman	12.00
Natalie Squires	35.00
Mildred Cole	7.00
Philip Lewis	4.00
Ruby Dickinson	14.00
Viola Hussey	14.00
Ruth Fuller	355.00
Ann Diamond	14.00
Marcia Gardner	28.00
Phyllis Taft	7.00
Rachel Shumway	56.00
Shirley Adams	28.00
Barbara Hudson	7.00
Donald Geer	18.00
Lucy Sullivan	77.00
Dorothy Barton	7.00

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Ruth Crowther	18.60	
Robert Hodgen	7.00	
Margaret Austin	21.00	
Ann Ray	14.00	60,094.63
Teachers' Expenses		
Guy Harrington	26.75	
Belchertown Pharmacy	3.00	29.75
Other Expenses		
William E. Shaw, insurance on projector	6.50	
Albert Dudek, transportation of desks	13.00	
Hingham, Neilson, Whitridge & Reid, sports medical expense policy	210.00	
Supplies	15.05	
Charles Howard, trucking	2.00	
Clara Cook, music festival expense	10.20	
Winslow Piper, trucking	3.00	259.75
Driveway—Labor, sundry persons		120.16
Fuel and Light		
Lloyd Chadbourne	2,568.99	
T. V. Pratt	25.00	
Central Mass. Electric Co.	510.26	3,104.25
Books and Supplies, sundry persons		3,210.82
Janitors and Assistants		
George Dewey	2,550.00	
Charles Corry	366.50	
William Kimball, Jr.	178.00	
Albert Dudek	454.00	
Roger Bowler	20.00	
Richard Lancey	100.00	
Samuel Joyal	6.00	3,674.50
Janitors' supplies		437.51
New Equipment		
The James P. Luxem Co., folding tables	92.00	
The Spencer-Turbine Co., vac. cleaner	334.10	
Athol and Springfield Despatch, cartage	6.93	
L. C. Smith & Corona Typewriter Co.	98.50	531.53
Transportation		
Fay Ayers	2,305.00	
Lincoln Cook	2,000.00	

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Raymond Gay	5,120.00	
Donald Hazen	2,328.00	
Everett Howard	2,150.00	
William Squires	2,353.00	16,256.00
Repairs to Buildings and Care of Grounds		
Allen and Shumway, burner repairs	170.15	
Roger Bowler, glass	.45	
H. E. Kimball & Sons	86.61	
The Ryther & Warren Co.	23.38	
Harold Ketchen, door stop	1.00	
Kimball & Hussey, painting	946.12	
Julian Hussey, threshold	2.50	
H. A. Hopkins' Store, window shades	2.78	
Squires' Garage	58.50	
Harry Sessions, electrical work	341.10	
Elmer Carrington	8.10	
Hillyard Sales Co.	16.93	
Albert Dudek, glass, etc.	24.32	
A. C. Horn Co., paint	44.41	
Brulin and Co., paint	48.26	
Masury-Young Co.	36.01	
The C. B. Dolge Co.	92.62	
Raymond Gould	.65	
J. & W. Jolly, Inc.	9.90	
Holyoke Valve and Hydrant Co.	9.29	
Quirk Paper Co.	26.55	
Red Lion Products	27.93	
Ralph Dooley	20.90	
William Kimball, Jr.	19.70	
J. B. Sibley and Son	3.25	
Cecil Piquette Co., chimney repairs	1,500.00	3,521.41
Other Repairs and Replacements		
Forbes Snyder, Inc., type. repairs	45.96	
Springfield Office Supply, mimeo re- pairs	1.72	
L. C. Smith and Corona, three type- writers	183.00	
George Allen, tuning and repairing piano	8.50	
Burroughs Adding Machine Co., re-		

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pairs	8.40	
Gledhill Bros.	13.54	261.12
Water		
Belchertown Water District	151.11	
Bondsville Water Co.	32.00	183.11
Telephone		
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.		340.87
Graduation Expenses		
W. M. Welsh Mfg. Co., diplomas	64.34	
L. G. Balfour Co., pro merito pins	15.16	
Lewis H. Blackmer	27.00	106.50
Health		
Minnie Davis, R. N., salary	2,234.65	
Minnie Davis, car allowance	300.00	
Dr. James Collard, School Physician	250.00	
The Ronald Press Co.	2.92	
Belchertown Pharmacy	32.03	2,819.60
Household Arts (exclusive of salaries)		
Central Mass. Electric Co.	64.20	
First National Stores	19.59	
A. G. Market	72.87	
Belchertown Market	3.19	
Belchertown Farms	3.35	
Richo Products Co.	9.86	
Lloyd Chadbourne	211.15	
William Jewett	8.55	
Houghton Mifflin Co., books	9.25	
McGraw Hill Book Co.	1.92	
Singer Sewing Machine Co.	11.00	
Jackson's Store	1.96	
Charles Howard, trucking	7.00	
Lafayette Ayers, mason	18.00	
Donald Hazen, sand	5.80	
R. C. Gay, cartage	7.00	
Holyoke Transcript, adv.	2.95	
A. Steiger Co., drapery material	45.54	
George Jackson	1.38	
Szipel Bros., plumbing	25.00	529.56
Total for Schools, Town Appropriation		<u>\$102,829.97</u>

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SCHOOLS—FROM OTHER FUNDS

George Barden Fund—Smith-Hughes Fund		
Ethel Collis, salary	90.00	
Florence Jackson, salary	104.33	194.33

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

City of Holyoke	59.63	
City of Springfield	40.20	
City of Chicopee	113.36	
Town of New Salem	93.12	
Transportation to New Salem	103.00	409.31

LAWRENCE PARSONS FIELD

Mowing		
Willard Young	6.75	
Walter Moore	3.25	
Fred Lincoln	24.00	
Robert Hodgen	75.75	
Charles Gill, Jr.	20.81	
Raymond Peeso	3.00	
Central Mass. Electric Co.	12.00	
B. H. S. A. A., Bases	17.58	
Isaac Hodgen, keys	1.50	
Ryther and Warren	21.25	
Town equipment	3.50	
Labor, sundry persons	7.84	197.23

COMMON

Central Mass. Electric Co.	13.90	
Weidenmiller and Magovern, mower rep.	36.25	
Mowing		
Robert Hodgen	70.50	
Charles Gill, Jr.	10.50	
Dan Horr	3.00	
Willard Young	3.00	137.15

CEMETERIES

Labor		
Charles Austin	22.79	
Norman Wilson	235.45	
Fred Dewey	233.25	
Walter Moore	5.00	

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Robert Jenks	5.00	
Mower, car and trucks	309.25	
First National Stores, seed	8.75	
Ryther and Warren	6.45	
Harold E. Kimball & Sons	17.56	
Norman Wilson, mower repairs	6.50	850.00
SOLDIERS' GRAVES		
Labor		
Norman Wilson	92.70	
Charles Austin	8.05	
Fred Dewey	81.75	
Squires' Garage	17.50	200.00
UNCLASSIFIED		
Hampshire Co. Comm.	5.00	
Rudolph Smola, fence viewer	3.00	
Robert Anderson, fence viewer	10.00	
Clarence Robinson, fence viewer	7.00	
"Army Times" subscription	15.00	
Harlan Rhodes, trans. to C. A. D. meeting	9.36	
Sundry persons, labor	28.04	
June S. Henneman, preparing itemized copy	60.00	
Lewis H. Blackmer, printing town reports	419.60	557.00
MEMORIAL DAY		
Belchertown Pharmacy	11.50	
Lewis H. Blackmer	3.85	
Kelly, the Florist	12.00	
Hathaway Bakeries	8.25	
St. Mary's Drum Corps	75.00	
William Webster	7.56	
Jackson's Store, flags	22.50	140.66
ARMISTICE DAY		
Kelly, the Florist		50.00
HONOR ROLL		
Kimball and Hussey		8.65

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PHOTOSTATS OF VETERANS' DISCHARGES

Schmidt Photo Service		9.00
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INSURANCE

Star Insurance Co.	529.54	
Anna Gold	100.57	
Bell and Hudson	1,992.86	
Merchants' Mutual Casualty Co.	385.84	
Employers' Fire Insurance Co.	10.00	3,018.81

TOWN CLOCK

George Wyman		100.00
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PUBLIC DUMP

Robert Jenks, labor	34.11	
Earl Fay, labor	3.75	
Carl Davis, labor	2.85	40.71

SUMMER RECREATION PROGRAM

Robert Hamlin	300.00	
Susan Squires	50.00	
Ann Russell	50.00	
Grey Owl Indian Craft Mfg. Co.	5.79	
Bill Carroll, sports equipment	38.82	
Magnus Brush and Craft, material	24.95	
H. E. Kimball and Sons, bike lock	.59	
Belchertown Pharmacy, medical supplies	2.34	
Johnson's Bookstore	25.60	
Isaac Hodgen	2.49	
Lewis Blackmer	2.30	502.88

CLAPP MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Sundry persons, magazines and books	299.12	
Lloyd Chadbourne, fuel oil	134.15	
Central Mass. Electric Co.	36.90	
Harry Sessions, labor and material	32.70	
William Kimball, Jr., cleaning	5.00	
Charles Corry, cleaning	30.00	
The Chemical Corp., Esteron brush killer	9.33	
Insurance		
Bell and Hudson	147.44	
William E. Shaw	51.43	746.07

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LIBRARY ALTERATIONS

J. J. Kempkes & Son	240.00	
William Kimball, Jr.	100.00	
Harry Sessions	5.75	
Holyoke Transcript	2.45	
Mutual Plumbing and Heating, sander rental	15.30	363.50

SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Guthrie Fence Co., driveway fence	183.00	
Ethan Holden, refund real estate purchase	50.00	
Russell Snow, laying out town ways	203.70	
Willard Young, laying out town ways	6.30	
River Street lights	55.50	
Davis Engineering Co., new school bldg.	26.35	
Belchertown Sentinel, new school bldg.	7.75	532.60

UNPAID BILLS OF 1949

Police Account		
Andrew Sears	23.80	
Wilfred Weston	11.00	34.80
Library Renovation		
Ryther and Warren	496.91	
R. D. Harrington Co.	138.00	
Tremco Mfg. Co.	122.76	
Wesley Dingman	196.87	954.54
Public Welfare		
Cooley Dickinson Hospital		190.00
Veterans' Aid		
Dr. Harry Anton		12.00

\$1,191.34

INTEREST

Palmer National Bank	226.25	
First National Bank of Boston	1,125.00	1,351.25

MATURING DEBT

Palmer National Bank, Road Machinery Loan 1947	1,000.00	
Palmer National Bank, Road Machinery Loan 1949	2,000.00	

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First National Bank of Boston, Sewer Loan	2,000.00	5,000.00
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AGENCY

Withholding Tax		
Collector of Internal Revenue	2,664.65	
Federal Reserve Bank of Boston	4,383.25	7,047.90
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
State Audit		922.35
State Parks and Reservations		372.57
County of Hampshire		
County Tax	8,910.88	
Dog Licenses	1,481.25	
Sale of Dogs	9.00	10,401.13
Dog Officer Fees		146.75

TRUST

Hampshire County Retirement System	572.84	
Hampshire County Retirement System, from town appropriation	346.15	918.99
Health Insurance, Wash. Nat. Ins. Co.	427.77	
Mass. Hospital Service	814.95	1,242.72
Sale and Impounding Cattle		240.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care		
Labor, sundry persons	267.36	
Equipment	192.75	
Ryther and Warren, supplies	7.20	
The Chemical Corporation, brush killer	9.33	
H. E. Kimball & Sons, paint, brushes	10.82	
Belchertown Water District	8.10	495.56
Private Trust Accounts		511.00

INVESTMENTS

Amherst Savings Bank		
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	575.00	

REFUNDS AND TRANSFERS

Clapp Memorial Library, dog licenses	829.76	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax refunds	780.87	
Com. of Veterans' Services	75.00	

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Real Estate Tax refunds	485.35	2,170.98
Total expenditures for year ending Dec. 31, 1950		\$296,311.65
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1950		86,785.96
		\$383,097.61

Belchertown, Mass., January 27, 1951

We hereby certify the foregoing information to be complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

June S. Henneman

Ella A. Stebbins

Table listing the names of those who have done work on the highways, and the amounts received individually for labor and equipment

Name	Sewers—Const. Labor	Sewers—Maint. Equip. Labor & E.	Chapter 81 Labor Equip.	Chap. 90—Const. Labor Equip.	Ch. 90 Main. Labor & E.	Snow La. & E.	All Other* L. & E.	Totals
Baggs M. C.	\$30.00	\$55.78						85.78
Booth Geo.				12.00				12.00
Bowler Roger				34.00				34.00
Bracey P.			48.95			4.50		53.45
Bronner Ray.	81.08		22.80					103.88
Chadbourne L. C.			180.38					180.38
Chartier L.			28.50					28.50
Clifford Geo.	129.53		28.10		22.40			180.03
Clifford Jas.	220.75		43.20		36.00		3.60	303.55
Cook L. A.	123.78	33.04	57.39					214.21
Cyran John				266.00				266.00
Davis Carl	26.75	33.30	899.40	9.90	58.00	120.44	42.25	1,069.60
Davis Harlan			372.47					492.91
Dodge Harry				68.40				68.40
Fay Earl			245.22			33.96	21.25	309.23
Frost Lewis	18.50				8.80			18.50
Gill Chas.	29.10	7.60	1,301.30	9.90	38.50	76.95	60.75	1,524.10
Hardwick Town of					514.00			514.00
Hazen Donald				1.90	557.54			1,128.44
Hazen Richard				67.45				67.45
Henneman A.				24.00				24.00
Horr Leon	35.00	33.30	665.84	9.90	51.12		57.15	852.31
Howland Earl	70.90	61.90	2,444.00	13.20	158.80	198.00	139.20	3,691.85
Isaac Wm.				129.20				129.20
Jenks Robt.	64.24		1,411.81	10.72	26.80	142.76	25.04	1,681.37
Joyal Arthur	38.15	38.40	845.10	9.90	70.90	3.60	55.15	1,061.20

Kelliher Corp.				25.60		25.60
Kelly Robt.				159.80		159.80
Kulig Jos.					4.00	221.00
Lincoln Fred			481.85	6.65		1,115.40
Loftus Norman				68.40	42.58	68.40
Moore Walter	50.44			45.51		1,744.61
Nutting Roy	36.00	50.71	1,389.97		70.32	388.31
Peeso Ray.		42.00	78.00		28.80	38.70
Peet Ken.	87.00		38.70			87.00
Puffer Stephen					28.00	1,033.50
Purrrington H.			113.85		12.15	126.00
Renouf H.						75.25
Rhodes Chas.			51.00			51.00
Rhodes Cl't.	205.85	37.38	247.75			941.76
Ross Alex.			211.50		26.00	237.50
Sears Andrew				126.35		121.60
Shumway Ed	350.88	234.00		513.00		2,015.64
Shyloski Irvin			97.50	8.00		219.00
Soja Ted			211.00		71.10	71.10
Squires Lewis				22.80		22.80
Stone Robt.	63.48	23.52	1,313.05		89.14	1,605.40
Sullivan John				52.37		30.00
Terry Don.	146.63		23.25	30.00		169.88
Trompki Ed						308.00
Warner Bros.	30.00	1,380.79	308.00			2,269.54
White David			62.50			110.00
White Harry						87.40
Wilson Nor.	254.33			87.40		576.82
Sun. Persons	12.30		322.49			52.64
Totals	\$2,301.00	\$1,761.05	\$327.57	\$11,533.99	\$4,089.43	\$2,238.44
			3.80			17.10
						\$751.94
						\$681.64
						\$28,067.99

Road Machinery Earnings—1950

Equipment	Chapter 81	Chap. 90 Maint.	Chap. 90 Const.	Sewer Maint.	Sewer Const.	Bridges Sidewalks	Snow Streets	Sundry Persons	Totals
Truck No. 1	\$1,659.00	\$92.40	\$56.40	\$33.60	\$48.00	\$73.20	\$126.60	\$40.80	\$2,130.00
Truck No. 2	2,484.13	107.60	94.50		57.75	61.25	157.50	36.30	2,999.03
Tractor					29.40	21.25			50.65
Loader	252.20		2.60		5.20				260.00
Grader	2,297.75	70.00	28.00		70.00		49.00	1,845.45*	4,360.20
Mower	290.00								290.00
Sander	84.50	5.20	8.50				46.15	46.80	191.15
Plow	9.00								9.00
Bulldozer								9.63	110.88
Compressor			20.00		81.25			47.00	47.00
	\$7,076.58	\$275.20	\$210.00	\$33.60	\$291.60	\$155.70	\$379.25	\$2,025.98	\$10,447.91

*Of this amount, \$1,719.45 was paid to the town by Warner Bros.

Town Warrant

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

FEBRUARY 5 AND 12, 1951

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS HAMPSHIRE, SS.

*To any of the constables of the Town of Belchertown, in said
County,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Belchertown, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the several polling places in said Belchertown, designated by the Selectmen, to wit:

IN PRECINCT A, at Lawrence Memorial Hall in Jabish Street.

IN PRECINCT B, at the Franklin School Building in Franklin Street in South Belchertown, on Monday, the fifth day of February, A. D. 1951, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to precinct officers of the several polling precincts of said Town for the following officers, to wit: a Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, three Selectmen, five Constables, a Tree Warden, each for one year; two School Committee members, one for two years, one for three years; one Assessor for three years; one Cemetery Commissioner for three years; three Sewer Commissioners, one for one year, one for two years and one for three years; five Planning Board members, one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for

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four years and one for five years.

The polls will be open at nine o'clock in the forenoon and closed at seven o'clock p. m.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Belchertown, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Lawrence Memorial Hall in said Belchertown, on Monday, the twelfth day of February A. D. 1951, at 7.30 o'clock in the evening, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Art. 1. To choose the following named officers by nomination: two Almoners of the Whiting Street and the Mrs. Susan M. D. Bridgman Funds, each for one year; one trustee of the Calvin Bridgman Fund for three years.

Art. 2. To hear the reports of the officers of the town and of any committees that may have been appointed by the town, except the school building committee, who will be called on for a report under a subsequent article, and act thereon.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as shall be deemed necessary to defray the expenses listed in the Finance Committee report for the current financial year and act thereon.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to give to Clapp Memorial Library the balance of the dog license fund after damages are paid, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the municipal year beginning January 1, 1951, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account the sum of \$6,000.00 to the Road Machinery Expense Account, or take any action relative thereto.

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Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account the sum of \$1,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1947, for the purchase of road machinery, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Road Machinery Earnings Account, the sum of \$2,000.00 to pay a note issued in 1949, for the purchase of road machinery, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$744.18 from Road Machinery Earnings to liquidate an overdraft in the Road Machinery Expense Account in 1950, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the town will authorize the payment of \$130.00 for the salaries of the school committee for the year ensuing, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to allow the Selectmen to appoint one of their members Inspector of Animals for the year 1951, as provided for in the General Laws, at a salary not to exceed \$200.00, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to allow the cemetery commissioners to appoint themselves to work in the cemeteries at a rate not to exceed 90 cents per hour for the year 1951, as provided for in the General Laws, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of a street light on Jabish Street between Everett Avenue and the Highway Department Building, or act thereon.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install a street light on Bay Road at the intersection of Poole Road, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 15. To see if the town will authorize and direct the Selectmen to sell at public auction or private sale on such terms and conditions as they shall determine, the structure known as the Liberty School Building located on South Liberty Street, in said

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Belchertown, or act otherwise thereon.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to complete the tar surfacing of M. Sears and Cold Spring Roads between the homes of Ralph Trombly and Mrs. Minnie Flaherty as early in the spring as weather conditions permit, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Chapter 90 highway construction, to be used in conjunction with State and County allotments, on the Three Rivers Road, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to authorize the payment of \$275 for salaries of the sewer commissioners for the year ensuing, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to allow the sewer commissioners to appoint themselves to work on the town sewer system at a rate not to exceed \$1.50 per hour for the year 1951, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from receipts of sewer rentals for the purpose of paying a portion of the maturing debt, interest and maintenance of public sewer, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 21. To see if the town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow a sum of money not to exceed \$25,000.00 to meet the shares of the State and County allotments on highway repair and maintenance under Chapter 81 and Chapter 90 of the General Laws, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for a memorial to the men and women from Belchertown who served in World War I and II, or act thereon.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 820 of the Acts of 1950 relative to increases in the annual amounts of pensions, retirement allowances, annuities and other benefits payable by the Commonwealth and its political sub-

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divisions, to certain former employees and persons claiming under them, or act thereon.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to appropriate from the Insurance Reserve Account the sum of \$375.00 to the Insurance Account, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to pay the sum of \$109.95 to the City of Worcester, a bill incurred against the town in 1948 for welfare purposes, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 26. To hear the report of the school building committee and give instructions to the committee, if the meeting desires, or appoint a new committee, or act thereon.

Art. 27. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one on the Town Hall, one at Lawrence Memorial Hall, one at Union School at Dwight, and one at Keyes' Hotel, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon, to the town clerk at or before the time of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of January, A. D. 1951.

ISAAC A. HODGEN
FRANCIS M. AUSTIN
CHARLES F. AUSTIN

Selectmen of Belchertown

Report of Finance Committee

Account	Appropriations 1950	Expended 1950	Recommended 1951
Selectmen	\$1,050.00	\$996.53	Ch. of Select. \$175.00 Clerk 125.00 Other mem. 125.00 Ch. Pub. Wel. 175.00 Other mem. 125.00 Other mem. 125.00 Expenses 200.00
			\$1,050.00
Town Accountant	425.00	408.94	Salary 400.00 Expenses 25.00
Treasurer	815.00	814.98	Salary 525.00 Expenses 290.00
Tax Collector	1,025.00	1,008.01	Salary 500.00 Expenses 525.00
Assessors	950.00	935.98	Sal. Ch. 300.00 Other mem. 200.00 Other mem. 200.00 Expenses 350.00
Town Clerk	500.00	500.00	Salary 300.00 Expenses 200.00
			Plus Fees
Election and Registration	950.00	948.05	600.00
Certification of Notes	20.00		20.00
Law	150.00	387.10	150.00
Town Hall	800.00	881.87	800.00
Lawrence Memorial Hall	300.00	232.95	300.00
Legion Headquarters	400.00	308.10	350.00
Police	1,000.00	1,197.87	1,000.00
Fire Department	2,300.00	2,571.67	2,300.00
Forest Fires	1,100.00	793.06	1,100.00
Hydrants	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Moth Suppression	600.00	599.70	600.00
Dutch Elm Disease	900.00	900.00	500.00
Tree Warden	400.00	415.20	400.00
Sealer of Weights and Meas.	85.00	85.40	100.00
Inspector of Wires	50.00	99.00	75.00
Health	1,900.00	1,905.56	1,900.00
Sewers—Maintenance	300.00	388.57	300.00

Account	Appropriations 1950	Expended 1950	Recommended 1951
Highways—Chapter 81	4,120.00	32,439.82	4,120.00
Highways—Chap. 90, Maint.	500.00	1,485.13	500.00
Highways—Snow	1,500.00	1,214.09	1,500.00
Highways—Streets	100.00	75.52	100.00
Highways—Sidewalks	100.00	21.73	50.00
Highways—Bridges	1,000.00	1,535.09	1,000.00
Street Lights	2,072.50	2,040.40	2,128.75
Public Welfare	4,500.00	2,764.52	4,500.00
Veterans' Aid	500.00	232.36	500.00
Old Age Assistance	37,500.00	36,671.53	37,500.00
Aid Dependent Children	3,250.00	2,066.53	3,250.00
Schools	102,830.00	102,829.97	104,103.00
Vocational Education	500.00	409.31	500.00
Parsons Recreational Field	300.00	197.23	300.00
Clapp Memorial Library	700.00	746.07	700.00
Cemeteries	850.00	850.00	950.00
Soldiers' Graves	200.00	200.00	250.00
Unclassified	500.00	557.00	600.00
Reserve Fund	2,000.00	1,716.94	2,000.00
Memorial Day	200.00	140.66	200.00
Armistice Day	50.00	50.00	50.00
Honor Roll	20.00	8.65	20.00
Insurance	3,150.00	3,018.81	3,150.00
Interest	800.00	788.75	800.00
Town Clock	100.00	100.00	100.00
Public Dump	100.00	40.71	50.00
Common	150.00	137.15	150.00
Photostats of Discharges	25.00	9.00	25.00
Summer Recreation Program	500.00	502.88	500.00
Civilian Defense	200.00		1,500.00
Retirement Payments	346.15	346.15	526.20
Maturing Debt	2,000.00	1,866.25	2,000.00

Article No. 14, recommend \$18.75; Article No. 18, recommend \$175.00; Article No. 22, recommend \$500.00; Article 16, lay on table; all other articles are recommended.

ROMEO J. JOYAL
 BYRON A. HUDSON
 GUY C. ALLEN, JR.
 RALPH W. TROMBLY
 ELLIOTT S. CORDNER

Finance Committee

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